Turkey, Iraq maintain contacts

ANKARA (R) - Turkey and Iraq have agreed to continue consultations and contacts on security matters to safeguard their border against guerrilla attacks, a Turkish Foreign Ministry spokesman said Tuesday. Turkish Foreign Minister Ilter Turkmen visited Iraq two days ago to discuss ways of fighting Kurdish guerrillas opposed to both Ankara and Baghdad. The spokesman said Mr. Turkmen's visit underlined the understanding between the two countries which had agreed to continue consultations and contacts. He said an accord between Ankara and Baghdad, revealed in a newspaper interview by the Iraqi ambassador here Monday, allowing the neighbours' forces to enter ench others' territory to pursue rebels was an understanding not a written





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Europarliament team leaves after visit

AMMAN (J.T.) - An eight-man delegation of the European Parliament left Amman Tuesday at the end of a fact-finding mission which also included visits to Lebanon. Egypt and Israel. During its visit, the delegation met with National Consultative Council (NCC) Speaker Suleiman Arar and Foreign Minister Marwan Al Qasem, who briefed the delegation members on the Middle East conflict. the Palestinian issue, Jordan's position towards a just and comprehensive settlement of the Mid-

Assad in Libya

BEIRUT (R) - Syrian President Hafez Al Assad arrived in the Libyan capital, Tripoli, Tuesday and was met by Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qadhafi, the official Libyan news agency JANA said. The agency dispatch, received here, said Mr. Assad was accompanied by his Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam and other senior officials. The visit had been unannounced. Syria and Libya have been the leading opponents of a U.S.-backed Lebanese-Israeli agreement for the windrawal of foreign troops from Lebanon.

PLO seeks more Soviet support

KUWAIT (R) - Salah Khalaf, who is heading a Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) mission to the Soviet Union Wednesday, said here Tuesday the purpose of the visit was to "ensure more support for the coming battle and for the determined polborate, but said: "The visit will be a success in all respects." The mission will include Khalid Al Hassan, bead of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Palestine National Council (PLO parliamentin-exile). Mahmoud Abbas, member of the Central Committee of Fatch commando organisation, and Abbas Zaki, head of the PLO office in South Yemen.

Brzezinski says he talked with Arafat

ABU DHABI (RI — Former U.S. National Security Adviser Zbigniew Brzezinski was Tuesday quoted as having told a group of officials from the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Foreign Ministry tbat he had met Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat, the Emirates News Agency said. It also quoted Mr. Brzezinski as telling the officials the United States had held unofficial talks with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) winhout disclosing when the meetings took place.

Iraqi U.N. official dies suddenly

UNITED NATIONS (R) - A senior Iraqi official of the United Nations, George Yacoub, who was to have retired Tuesday after 24 years service, died in a New York hospital where be was awaiting heart surgery, the secretariat reported. Mr. Yacoub, 60, a lawyer and journalist, was a former spokesman for the U.N. peacekeeping force in Cyprus and had served as director of U.N. Information Services in Sudan and Pakistan. His most recent post was that of deputy director of U.N. Radio and Visual Services in the Department of Public Information in New York.

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Beirut seeks Arab approval of pullout pact

BEIRUT (R) — Lebanon is making a new bid to raise Arab support for its troop withdrawal agreement with Israel to counter Syrian-led opposition to the accord, officials said Tuesday.

State-run Beirut Radio announced that Foreign Minister Elie Salem will visit Saudi Arabia on Saturday to discuss the stalled two-week-old agreement.

Lebanese government officials have suggested that Saudi Arabia may mediate between Lebanon and Syria over the agreement which the hardline government of President Hafez Al Assad has pledged to torpedo.

Officials said Beirut might send envoys to other Arab countries. Most Arab states, clearly concerned that the accord violates Lebanon's Arab commitments, have withheld support.

Calm over Bekaa

Israeli planes were reported to have broken the sound barrier over Syrian positions in north and east Lebanon Tuesday but radio reports said the often-tense ceasefire line in Lebanon's eastern Bekaa Valley was calm.

Informed sources in Beirut said sending a senior envoy to Moscow to seek to reverse opposition to the accord from the Soviet Unionwhich is closely linked to Syria.

Prime Minister Shafiq Al Waz-zan, currently on a visit to Paris, was mentioned as a possible envoy, they said, but no choice had yet been made or date set.

Israel put its invasion force in ost a year-and Syrian troop man- of 40,000 men. ocuvres in the Bekan Valley. .

Syria's ruling Arab Baath Socialist Party, stepping up its war of words with Washington, warned Tuesday that American blood could be spilt in any new Middle

The party's daily organ, Al Baath, said: "If the United States endeavours to spill Arab blood in any war for which it plans with Israel, this does not necessarily mean that American blood will not be spilt to satisfy Reagan's

It did not spell out how Americans might be involved in a Midile East war, but Washington has 1,200 Marines in a Beirut peace force alongside French. Italian and British units.

The announcement of Mr. Salem's visit to Saudi Arabia followed a meeting Tuesday between him and U.S. special envoy Philip Habib, an architect of the withdrawal agreement who is seeking ways to lessen Syrian opposition.

The accord was designed as the cornerstone of a plan to remove all foreign forces--Israeli, Syrian and Palestinian--from Lebanon. But Israel has said it will not abide by the agreement unless Syria and the Palestine Liberation Org-Lebanon was also considering anisation (PLO) also withdraw their forces.

Syria, saying the agreement will turn Lebanon into an" Israeli protectorate," has repeatedly said it will not temper its opposition. despite optimistic statements from U.S. and Lebanese officials.

A senior Western diplomat in Beirut said Tuesday that Lebanese officials were still confident southern Lebanon on high alert that talks would begin eventually following an aerial confrontation with the Syrians on a pullout of that talks would begin eventually on Wednesday-the first for alm- their army, estimated at upwards

The diplomat said officials closely involved in the withdrawal effort were saying they had ant-icipated an initial sharp Syrian reaction, but this did not rule out a Syrian change of beart.

Beirut-Damascus road cut

BEIRUT (R) - The main upset the local power balance. Beirut-Damascus Highway was cut Tuesday by right-wing mil-itiamen who have been fighting Druze in the mountains near Beirut for months, security sources

said.
The sources said the closure was intended to prevent kidnappings of travellers on the road.

Beirut newspapers reported the mountain area was tense, but that sefire appeared to be holding. apart from isolated shooting incidents Monday. Heavily-armed rightists and

fighters of the mainly Druze Prosince Israel's invasion last June ualties, security sources reported. I the stationing went ahead and on could be stationed in December.

TASS: Summit

solved nothing

MOSCOW (R) - The summit of

seven Western leaders in Wil-

their economic problems and ign-

ored the difficulties of the Third

World, the official Soviet news

offers no practical measures for

overcoming the crisis situation or

settling the economic and fin-

ancial contradictions between the

Western countries," TASS said.

to meet even halfway its allies'

The United States had refused

"Their communique contains

agency TASS said Tuesday.

Israeli planes broke the sound barrier over Syrian-controlled eastern and northern Lebanon Tuesday morning. There were no reports that they came under anti-aircraft fire.

State-run Beirut Radio said the planes caused booms over the eastern Bekaa Valley, where the Syrian and Israeli armies are entthe latest Israeli-enforced cea- renched along a tense ceasefire

Shells land in airport

On Monday night, two mortar gressive Socialist Party (PSP) have shells landed close to a United Stabeen battling sporadically in the tes Marine post at Beirut airport. Israeli-held Shouf mountains causing some damage but no cas-



arm firmly around the shoulders of a young col-nured boy, Michael Foot, leader of the British Labour Party, Monday walks through the streets of paign. Brixton is noted as a black community, and is bigb in unemployment (A.P. wirephoto)

Syria starts mediation in PLO internal revolt

DAMASCUS (R) - Syria has started talks to try to stop violent dissent in Yasser Arafat's mainstream Fatch group from tearing apart the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO), PLO officials said Tuesday.

The talks began at the Foreign Ministry in Damascus late Monday night under the auspices of Syria's ruling Arab Socialist Baath

Syria stepped in after reports of gunbattles between Arafat supporters and Fateh hardliners who accuse him of abandoning armed struggle with Israel.

Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam met representatives of leftist PLO dissident Abu Saleh while other officials talked with Mr. Arafat's men including Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO Political Department. The talks were aimed at "rea-

ctivating dialogue" between Syria and the PLO and mediating betweeo the factions, Palestinian officials said. Monday night's meeting was

intended to be the first of a series, PLO officials said.

Palestinian sources said they believed Mr. Arafat himself was touring positions Tuesday in Lebanon's Bekaa Valley, where PLO and Syrian forces are ranged agaThe mutiny threatening his pos-

ition in Fatch, the biggest and most influential of the eight gro-ups that make up the PLO, began three weeks ago. Five senior officers rejected Mr.

Arafat's leadership because, they said, he was backing away from fighting Israel. Syria did not get involved until the dispute turned violent.

Last Sunday, mutipeers tried to storm a Fatch training base outside Damascus but were driven off after a 15-minute battle, the base's commander said.

The latest Syrian intervention to cool passions followed an appeal by President Hafez Al Assad to Mr. Arafat and other PLO leato use wisdom in the cris

Fahd appeals for unity

King Fahd of Saudi Arabia has urged all factions of the PLO to settle their disputes which he said only served the enemy, the Saudi Press Agency reported Monday.

He made the appeal at a regular session of the Saudl cabinet in Riyadh Monday night, during which the Lebanon problem and the Palestinian situation were rev-

Weinberger: Vissiles can be deployed on time

BONN (R) - U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger said Tuesday the production of new medium-range nuclear missiles was on target and they could start being deployed in Europe on schedule at the end of the year.

conference in Bonn that Moscow's attitude at Soviet-U.S. talks in Geneva would determine whether

"The plans for deployment and manufacture of those missiles were made a long time ago and are

negotiating," he said. The defence secretary, who had Mr. Weinberger told a press just completed a two-day visit. refused to give any details of the plans. But he indicated that the first of 10% Pershing-2 missiles

Saudi coast being adhered to while we are

BAHRAIN (R) - Thick tarry balls from an oil slick threatening marine life and desalination plants in the Gulf were reported to have hit parts of Saudi Arabia's eastern coast. Gulf environment officials

said Tuesday.

They said the balls of heavy crude hit the Saudi coast near the Saudi oil terminal of Ras Tannura Monday. They declined to give further details or say whether the patches hit in significant amounts.

Ras Tannura lies 56 kilometres north of a Saudi desalination plant in Al Khobar, which reopened earlier this month after being closed in March, and the same distance from the northern coast of Bahrain.

The head of Iran's environment protection organisation, Mirza Taheri, said in Tehran recently the slick covered an area of 440 to 466 square kilometres.

Environment officials in Bahrain, however, said the Iranian figure was too small.

Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Qatar, Kuwait. Oman and the United Arab Emirates are conferring over how to contain the oil, but the Iran-Iraq war has so far thwarted efforts to reach an agreement on capping the wells and mopping up

the slick. An environment official in Bahrain said a joint mop-up operation outside the war zone at the northern end of the Gulf, which was due to have started in mid-May, had not been carried out due to a lack of response from Iran.

Cabinet, Madaba residents hold dialogue

Water and electricity services will be priorities in '84, Badran says

MADABA (J.T.) - The pri- ister, the ministers of comorities in Jordan's budget for the munications, education, health, fiscal year 1984 would be to dev- public works, municipal and rural elop water and electricity services affairs and the environment, and in the country, Prime Minister the interior on the one hand and Mudar Badran said Tuesday. The representatives of various popular decision has been taken in line and official bodies in the district. with the government's eagerness to provide the citizens with basic services, the prime minister said.

Mr. Badran, speaking at a fivesaid that the government has decided to make frequent field visits ital's air pollution. Mr. Badran to various regions of the country said. to study citizens' problems and needs and to take the appropriate action. This decision, he said, has been taken under the instructions of His Majesty King Hussein.

During its session in Madaba Tuesday, the cabinet granted JD 124,000) in aid to the district to help implement various municipal, social and sports projects. The prime minister also promised Madaba residents that the

government would continue to support municipality projects in the district, particularly the renovation of the city's water pipeline network. The prime minister also ann-

ounced that a specialised committee has been set in Madaba to study the requirements of the district in improving and developing its roads and the committee would determine the priorities in this

Mr. Badran said that the govemment decided to stop the digging of artesian wells in southern Amman because the primary aim of such projects is to find potable water and then water for irrigation. The stoppage is a temporary measure, and the decision will be reviewed when the Amman Governorate would have ample supply of potable water with the completion in 1984 of a project to channel water from Deir Alla, Mr.

During the meeting, an open dialogue took place on the needs and demands of the district residents between the prime min-

The government encourages industries to be set up outside Amman suburbs and provides meentives and facilities for this hour open session of the cabinet. purpose because such industries would not contribute to the cap-

In reply to a question on government scholarships to deserving students, the prime minister said that such scholarships are offered to the first 10 excelling students in high school examinations, in add-

ition to 6t1 others for each district. Asked about price control measures adopted by the Ministry of Supply. Mr. Badran replied that the ministry cannot control the prices of all commodities sold in the market, but at the same time it is concentrating its efforts on basic consumer items

The cirizens have a major role to play in controlling consumer prices and the government cannot eliminate possibilities of higher prices without the cooperation of the public in promptly reporting cases of contraventions, the prime minister said.

The government will buy the wheat crops of this season from Jordanian farmers at a price of JD 120 per tonne and will sell it at a subsidised price in the market. Mr. Badran said. The government is also prepared to buy lentils from the farmers if it is available, he

At the conclusion of Tuesday's meeting, a committee was formed. comprising the members of the National Consultative Council from Madaba, to follow up and implement the necessary steps in compliance with the district's residents. The committee would welcome any voluntary member, it was announced.

NATO ministers attack U.S. curbs on trade with Moscow

BRUSSELS (R) - North Atl- members except France and Iceantic Treaty Organisation (N-ATO) European defence ministers Tuesday condemned draft U.S. legislation allowing Washington to deny its allies access to referring to this. its markets if it believes they are selling sensitive equipment to the Soviet Union

uce purchases of American tecmore European equipment.

ministerial meeting, told a news among themselves...' conference there was "much impatience among Europeans with closely monitored legislation now the restrictive proceedings and legislation of the U.S. congress."

land, did not mention the legislation, known as the export administration act, by name but Mr. Sjaastad told reporters they were A communique said: "Whilst

expressing full awareness of the fact that militarily relevant tec-They also said they might red- hnology, if transferred to the Warsaw Pact, would contribute to the hnology if the U.S. does not buy development of its military strength, ministers affirmed the Norwegian Defence Minister need for the allies freely to exc-Anders Sjaastad, who chaired the hange advanced technology · Mr. Sjaastad said ministers had

before Congress He added: "We could buy less The Euro-group, which inc- (from the U.S.I and buy more ludes all NATO's European among Europeans."

U.N. calls for speedy Namibian independence

UNITED NATIONS (R) - The Security Council Tuesday directed Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar to begin talks aimed at bringing Namibia (South West Africa) to early independence.

The unanimous resolution also condemned what was termed South Africa's "continued illegal occupation of Namibia."

Mr. Perez de Cuellar, who has said he is ready to go to South Africa if invited, must report to the council by Aug. 31 on the res-

not implemented them as a number of obstacles developed.

The latest of these was South Africa's insistence, backed by the United States, that Cuban troops in neighbouring Angola first be withdrawn

ults of his consultations with "the

parties to the proposed

ceasefire"--including nationalist

Five years ago. South Africa

accepted the council's terms for

Namibian independence, but has

guerrilla forces.

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- demands for a reduction in U.S. budget deficits and interest rates and had blocked French proposals agreement, page 3 Gulf Cooperation Council for an international conference to reform the world monetary sys-
- TASS said the Western leaders Television magicians look had expressed "bypocritical concern" about the problems of the developing countries.
 - They had put forward no concrete measures for giving these countries effective aid and had Williamsburg disappointment, page 7 completely ignored their demands for talks on a new global economic

Economic summit fails to produce solid proposals despite flash of West's unity was strongly oegative. The United States under Mr.

WILLIAMSBURG, Virginia (R) liamsburg did nothing to resolve - Western leaders return home Tuesday from a summit meeting that produced the show of unity President Reagan had sought but few concrete proposals for tackling world economic problems. many general phrases but in fact

As is customary at their annual economic summits, the seven major Western industrial countries has issued a final statement which succeeded in bridging policy differences but focused mostly on broad economic goals. The United States, West Ger-

many, Britain, France, Canada,

Japan and Italy pledged to fight

inflation, create jobs and try to

stabilise currency market flu-

ctnations as the global economy pful." emerges from the worst recession in 50 years. "Significant success has been achieved in reducing inflation and interest rates, there have been improvements in productivity, and we now clearly see signs of recovery," the leaders said in the

statement read by Mr. Reagan

Monday night.

Although short on specific plans of action, the declaration did go some way towards responding to French President François Mitterrand's call for a new conference on the monetary system.

On a day when the French franc hit oew lows against the U.S. dollar, the countries said they would study the idea of a such a conference to see if it would be useful 'in due course." The leaders, who met in this res-

tored colonial village of quaint clapboard bouses and white picket fences, also said they would iotervene in currency markets "in instances where it is agreed that such intervention would be hel-

While carefully qualified, these statements showed at least some U.S. movement towards the view held by France, which has had to devalue the franc three times in less than two years.

When Mr. Mitterrand raised the

idea of a new monetary con-

ference earlier this month, the

Reagan administration's response

U.S. official said Monday that it would now listen more closely to allies' requests for such action. The "wild card" The U.S.-French differences bad been the biggest potential thundercloud hanging over the summit, a meeting that Mr. Reagan as host had painstakingly pre-

Reagan has refrained from int-

ervening in currency markets exc-

ept in emergencies, but a senior

monious conclusion. U.S. officials had described Mr. Mitterrand, the only Socialist leader at the three-day conference, as a possible "wild card" who they feared might be a disruptive pre-

pared as an informal get-together

and was eager to bring to a har-

The United States did come under strong criticism from the allies, as it has for the past three years, for its huge budget deficits and high interest rates which they fear may thwart recovery from the

Mideast tension has eased WILLIAMSBURG, Virginia (R) - U.S. Secretary of State George

Shultz says

Shultz said Monday Israeli-Syrian tensions seemed to have eased slightly in Lebanon, where the risk of a new Middle East war appeared to be growing during the weekend Mr. Shultz, who was in the Mid-

dle East earlier this month to put together the troop withdrawal agreement Israel signed with Lebanon, said a dangerous situation brought on by a new Syrian troop build-up in Lebanon "seems to have calmed down."

Speaking to reporters at the end of the seven-nation economic summit presided over by President Reagan, Mr. Shultz said he concluded from intelligence reports he received Monday that "the level of tension seems to have subsided a little bit -- at least that is the indication."

White House officials said they were relieved that an apparent Israeli-Syrian confrontation just two days ago had not disrupted the economic summit. They said Mr. Reagan would

eement to remove all its troops from Lebanon following Israel's pledge to do so. Israel has said it will not fully implement its promised troop withdrawal until Syria follows suit.

continue to work for Syria's agr-

Oil slick hits

FEATURES

Italy has a new prophet

By Roger Cohen

SANT ANSANO, Italy — God's latest prophet wears dark glasses, is married with one daughter. owns a soap and detergent shop, drives a small dark blue Fiat, and lives in the beautiful Tuscan town of Siena.

That, at least, is what the 400strong community of Sant'Ansano in the Archbiocese of Siena think. and their belief has landed them in hig trouble with the Vatican.

Excommunication, the rarely used supreme penalty of the Roman Catholic Church, fell on Sant Ansano on May 4. The small, brick church on a hill outside Siena is locked, and its bells no longer chime the hours across the surrounding Chianti vineyards.

Enzo Cupani, the excommunicated local priest, is philosophical: "The gospel is repeating itself. We will pray in the square in front of the church or elsewhere. We will he the people of God guided in the desert."

The peaceful square is carefully tended beneath its rows of cypress and plane trees. Pansies, azalias and roses grow around the church. "Faith in the Apostle Peter inspired us to build this up from a ruin," Cupani said.

The "Apostle Peter" is Piero Babbini, a clean-shaven 55year-old former foothall coach and coal salesman with greying

His followers, said by Cupani to be growing daily in number, say he has cured more than 3,500 people through miracles and was sent by Christ to redeem the church and

Bahhini shuns the press and was extremely reticent when reporters found him kneeling before the church and asked him what

"Ask the priests of Rome. They have fallen so far they no longer have a face," he muttered, before clambering into his car and driving off across the hills to Siena.

The Archbishop of Siena. Mario Castellano, was screnely dismissive of Babbini: "He is a haby, a hig actor. He claims over 3,500 miracles, more than have been proved in the whole history. of the church. It is a joke."

Castellano signed the excommunication order from the Vatican's sacred congregation for the doctrine of the faith. It ruled that Cupani, "the so-called Apostle Peter and the so-called community of Sant'Ansano" were heretics and schismatics.

The excommunication forbids all the community from receiving Holy Sacraments or holding office in the Roman Catholic Church.

But Cupani, who wears a white monk's cowl, defiantly held mass in the church soon after the excommunication, after emissaries from the archhishop locked the church, he held mass in the square

"I handed over the keys on May 13 because I might otherwise have gone to prison." he said. They are now in the hands of a priest from an adjacent parish, Savino Maz-

A statement from the Sant' Ansano community makes it clear they intend to make no compromises with Rome, drawing strength from alleged parallels hetween their situation and that of Christ's first disciples.

It quotes the "Apostle Peter" as saying: "With my arrival on earth, the gospel is repeating itself in all its power and greatness, and nob-

will be able to stop me." strength by wandering in the des-

he thought of the locking of its ert for 40 years knows the power of faith and will not be frightened by the edicts of cardinals.

Cupani said he first met Babbini in January 1979 and was immediately convinced off his divine powers. He was named parish priest for the then-ruined church of Sant Ansano at the end of that

"The followers of the apostle began to congregate here and we patiently restored the place. I tried o convince the archbishop that Peter had been sent by God, but he was not prepared to hear my

case," he said. The community says Bahhini received the call more than 20 years ago when a wooden cross appeared before him, and he has been working miracles for 11

Bruno Bracciali, a local metalworker, said his wife had been cured of lung cancer. "Before that, I was a blasphemer and the church left me alone. Now 1 believe fervently, and I've been excommunicated," he said.

Cupani, an amiable young man with a far-away grin, insisted that several of the alleged miracle cures could be proved. He said he had asked to be heard at the Vatican, but had not received an inv-

"The church no longer serves the gospel, but uses the gospel to make money and politics," he said to the approving nods of several

The community preaches a passionate adherence to Christ's message in what they call its first simplicity. Shoes are not allowed in Church, women must wear veils during services, the holy prayer It says a people that showed its must be said only on one's knees. and communion received only

after fasting from midnight of the night before.

Cupani predicted the community would grow steadily and the "apostle" would one day abandon his joh, his lay clothes and his house to wander and preach.

But, for the Archhishop of Siena, the problem of the Sant' Ansano community has aiready been resolved.

'Normal mass will be held in the church there on Sunday. Cupani will have to leave his house which belongs to the Parish. The situation is returning to normal,

The priest, however, said he did not intend to hudge, would open legal proceedings against the locking of the church, and hold mass 'under a tent if necessary."

"A new era had hegun which is leading to the apocalypse. Christ he with you," he added by way of a farewell salutation.

Italians dedicate 1984 to Etruscans

By M.T. Wochicievich

ROME — Four Italian regions officially gave notice recently that they intend to dedicate 1984 to the Etruscans -- that mysterious people who held sway for a time over Rome before they were defeated by the Roman armies.

The origins of the Etruscans are still unknown, but they left behind indications of their great civilisation in works of art of incstimable value.

The first mention of the Etruscans in Italy - when the pen-insula was still divided into cities and provinces -- can be found in inhabited a large area called "Etruria", now the region of Tuscany.

From Etruria, they extended south into Campania, and north to the Po River Valley. Their cities Volterra, Cortona, Fiesole, Veio, Tarquinia (the name of two of the Etruscan kings who ruled over Rome), Cerveteri, and Orvieto --all still contain some vestiges of their ancient splendour.

Lazio, a few kilometres from Rome, is the site of one of the most exceptional Etruscan necropolis with "tumuls" graves or tombs carved out of the volcanic high level of artistic ability in wall rock hills.

The necropolis extends for many kilometres in the beautiful Lazio countryside, near the shores of the Mediterranean where Etruscan ships once lay day at anchor.

The insides of the tombs were carved to simulate a home, after Etruscan religious beliefs founded on the cult; of the hereafter. The dead bodies were laid out on stone beds in the "room", with all of the the 8th century B.C., when they, objects which the deceased held dear laid around it to serve him in his long voyage to the after-life.

After the excavation of the tombs, these treasures and art objects were distributed to the major Italian museums. In Rome's Valle Giula Museum, for example, are Etruscan vases, jewels, statues, kitchen and work tools, mirrors and arms. The most famous object there is a statue of

Cerveteri, in the region of Apollo, the god of light and beauty, identified with the sun.

In the tombs of Tarquinia, another Etruscan necropolis, there are examples of the civilisation's paintings, using ocra, siena, blue and green.

The painters immortalised scenes of dance and hunting, love and war, joy and married life, and children's games, on the tomb walls.

The Etruscans who dominated the Italian peninsula for centuries through sea and land battles were a happy and powerful people, with their own precise and developed political and social order.

Eventually defeated by the Romans, they were assimilated gradually into the culture of their conquerors, who absorbed political and cultural elements from

The four regions of Umbria, Lazio, Campania, and Tuscany, once bome to the Etruscans, are dedicating 1984 to them with a series of major exhibitions focusing on an archaeological theme

of unique fascination for the Italian and foreign public.

The central exhibit in Florence will be based on the historic process, to make the public aware of the "structure" of the Etruscan civilisation, from its formation in proto-historic epochs up until its fall in the period between the third and second centuries B.C.

The theme of the exhibit in Cortona will be "the prosperity of the Etruscans", while an exhibit in Umbria will concentrate on relations between the original native Umbrians and the Etruscan civ-

With a number of other proposals and events planned for the year, the ambitious programme promises to be of interest to experts and historians as well as to the general public, who will have the opportunity to get to know, admire and appreciate a people whose origins are still a mystery, even though they were masters of civ-

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energy problems of Bangladesh Biogas could help solve

By Nurul Huda

DACCA — Bangladesh's military regime wants to use hiogas to help solve the nation's energy prohlems. It even plans to install one hiogas plant at each of the country's 450 police stations, as a means of popularising the technology.

On paper, hiogas looks good. Bangladesh has few trees. Most people cook with cow dung and rice straw. If the same dung and straw are flung into relatively sim-ple concrete "digester", the eventual result is methane -- hiogas"

-- which can cook meals and power lights and machines.

But there is a catch, as the military tacticians are finding out. Recently, when soldiers tried to "motivate" villagers near the capital to install family-size hiogas digesters at their own expense, they found only three takers.

At this rate, it may take some time before the benefits of biogas reach the 80 million people who live in this country's 68,000 rural villages.

To speed up the process, the Environment Poliution Control Department installed 152 plants around the country, at government expense.

These, which cost the equ-

ivalent of \$160 each, went only to relatively wealthy families and members of village councils. So the rich and locally powerful benefited from tax revenue, much of which came from the poor maj-

But there is logic in this. To supply enough fuel for the cooking and lighting needs of a family of five, each plant needs about 10 kilogrammes (22 pounds) of dung a day -- the output of four cows.

However, in Bangladesh a four-cow family is a wealthy family, one which can afford to buy its own kerosene and does not relish the tedium of feeding dung into a

digester.

If the government does manage to popularise the use of biogas among cow-owning families -perhaps by large subsidies -- then the landless majority of Bangladesh will have a more difficult time finding dung with which to cook. It will all be going into biogas plants.

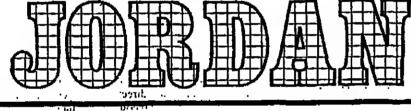
The wealthy people who would be saving money on fuel are the sort who invest their savings in cows and land. Since hiogas, at this state in its development, still requires considerable government technical and financial support, then some of the limited gov-

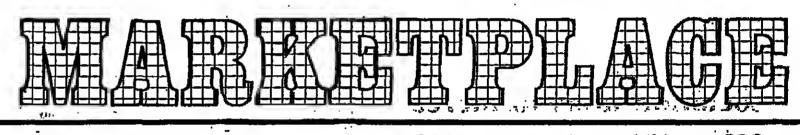
ernment funds in this poor country would be going to make the rich

Bengladesh's own first experiment with hiogas was at the Savar Dairy farm in 1979. Since then, that large plant has been improved and its costs reduced. But the government shelved without explanation plans to install 750 plants around the country in 1981-82.

Biogas may, if the technology proves itself over the long run, eventually save Bangladesh energy money. But this may be at the expense of the rural poor, the vast majority of this nation's people,

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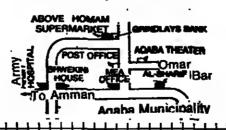
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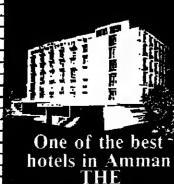
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Conference focuses on water resources, WSC future plans

AMMAN (Petra) — The national Authority (AWSA) on water resconference on drinking water and environmental protection organised by the Health Ministry in cooperation with the World Hea-Ith Organisation (WHO), continued its meetings Tuesday at the Yarmouk University liaison off-

The participants discussed a number of working papers submitted by the Natural Resources Authority (NRA), the Water Supply Corporation (WSC), the Agriculture Ministry, and the

ources and drinking water in Jor-

The papers explained that the annual average rainfall in Jordan is about 6,000 million cubic metres, and that most of this is lost through evaporation.

The papers also explained that the annual average available water, including springs and flood water, reaches around 900 million eubic metres. The quantity of ground water available for drinking purposes reaches 250 million Amman Water and Sewerage cubic metres per year, while the future plans.

total quantity of surface and ground water in the country around 1.150 million cubic metres per

The working papers also discussed the characteristics and problems of water in Jordan, most importantly the relative lack of sources and the tack of a clear water policy defining the best utilisation of existing resources.

The papers also discussed WSC projects currently under implementation and the corporation's



eements at the University of Jordan campus (Petra Representatives from the German Federal Republic and Jordan Tuesday sign three technical agr-

Visiting professor buried

IRBID (Petra) - The late Dr. several deans of faculty and heads

Sa'id Ahmad, visiting professor at of departments at the university

the Yarmouk University Mass took part in the furneral pro-

Communications Faculty and cession. The Pakistani amb-

former dean of the Karachi Uni- assador in Amman also attended

versity Mass Communications the funeral of Dr. Ahmad who

Faculty, was buried here Tuesday. died after a short illness.

Supply Ministry changes

spaghetti, detergent prices

Jordan, FDR sign technical accords

AMMAN (Petra) — Three agreements covering technical cooperation between the Jordanian government and the Federal Republic of Germany were signed at the University of Jordan Tuesday.

According to the details, the Jurdanian technicians working in geology and physics departments kshop at the university. and increase the efficiency of the

will also hold three specialised tra- Amman Hermann Munz signed

West German government will the computer field, and will supply give Jordan the necessary tec- the necessary equipment needed hnical assistance to expand the to develop the electronics wnr-

University of Jordan President tuition in computer science at the Abdut Salam Al Majali signed the agreements on behalf of Jordan. The West German government and West German ambassador in

Polish economic team starts talks

meeting of the joint Jordanian-Polish economic committee began at the Ministry of Industry and Trade here Tuesday.

The two delegations discussed aspects of cooperation between the two countries in the economic and trade fields. They also talked about the possibility of establishing joint projects in Jordan

Hassan condoles Tougan family

AMMAN (Petra) - His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan. Tuesday visited the residence of Senator Bahuldin Touqan to present his condolences to the Touqan family on the death of the late Salah Touqan.

Posts juggled

AMMAN (J.T.) - Interior Minister Ahmad Obeidat has decided to transfer Karak Governor Diyab Yousef to the head office in Amman and to appoint Shawkat Jaradat as acting governor of Karak.

He also decided to transfer Tafilah District Governor Tal'at Al Nawayseh to the head office and Mohammad Shihadeh Al Talhouni from the Amman gov-

technical cooperation between the two countries.

Two subcommittees, one for trade and the other for economic and industrial cooperation, were formed to explore all possibilities of economic cooperation between the two countries in detail.

The Jordanian delegation was

AMMAN (Petra) — The first as well as promoting scientific and headed by Industry and Trade Ministry Under-Secretary Mohammad Saleh Al Hourani, while the Polish team was led by Deputy Foreign Trade Minister Jerzy

> At the end of the three-days of meeting, the two delegations are expected to sign an economic and

Taiwanese firm to donate \$250,000 of equipment

AMMAN (J.T.) — An agreement to equip the Vocational Training Centre (VTC) in the central Jordan Valley was signed at the Labour Ministry Tuesday with a Taiwanesc company. According to the agreement, the company will donate the necessary equipment \$250,000, Al Ra'i newspaper ipment in general.

reported Tuesday. Director-General of the VTC Munzir Al Masri said the centre is part of the new complex of workshops which the Jordan Valley Authority (JVA) is establishing in the Ma'addi area. It will specialise in agricultural, carpentry, weland machines at a cost of ding, and the maintenance of equ-

Uranium traces confirmed

AMMAN (J.T.) - Tests conducted on Jordanian phosphate samples in a West German laboratory has revealed that the mineral contains uranium, according to a report in Al Ra'i newspaper. The paper, which did not quote any source for the information, said that the uranium is suitable for commercial use in the industrial sector. Tests on the mineral were conducted in cooperation with the Jordan Fertiliser Industry Company.

Dental association aims to increase public's teeth care consciousness

AMMAN - Lack of dental education in Jordan presents a twofold problem that is slowly intensifying with time. The public doesn't care for their teeth and dentists don't have enough work. To counteract this, the Jordan

Dental Association is making efforts at public education, president Dr. Abdel Aziz Al Haj Ahmad said recently. "Even a ratio of 1:10,000 wou-

ldn't make enough business for the dentists when there is no education for people," he said. The current dentist to population ratio in the country is 1:4,5txt -- close to European standards.

During the past two years denlists from the association have gone out to lecture in schools, socieues and clubs, write question and answer columns in new-



spapers, and present talks on television and radio. They are now preparing slides, and announcements on oral care for between-programme spots.

The association, established in 1967, now has 700 registered members, 450 of those now pra-

ctising in the East Bank, 150 in the West Bank, 60 in the Royal Medical Services, and 70 in the Ministry of Health. Three hundred are employees of companies and other institutes. Two-thirds of all these are in the metropolitan Amman-Zarka area. With 100 new dentists returning

yearly from studies abroad and with dental schools planned in the Jordan and Yarmouk universities, which would graduate another 100, Dr. Al Haj Ahmad worries about future employment prospects for his members.

"Numbers are Ilimited in the Ministry of Health and Royal Medical Services and private clinics are expensive to establish. I expect this employment problem in the near future even without graduates from the local schools,' he said. "We need the help of radio, television and government to educate the people, not just the association. This would give a two-way action - to help citizens achieve good oral hygiene and to improve work for dentists."

At present dental surgeons are able to do minor surgery in private practice while referring patients who need restorative surgery to either the government's Al Bashir Hospital or the King Hussein Medical City. If their workload does increase, they will have to face yet another problem -- the tack of dental assistants and no local training school to produce

-- Middle East Health, England

nurses during their training.

the subtle difference in the meaning of words. A third course we are doing," continued Dr. Ibrahim. "is a post-graduate dipluma in the Faculty of Education. Stu-

"There are three levels in this

Charity centres graduate more students

KARAK (Petra) — Her Highness Princess Basmah attended Tuesday here the graduation ceremony of female students at the typing and sewing centres run by the Mo'ab women's charity soc-

At the beginning of the ceremony, the acting Governor of Karak Shawkat Jaradat, spoke on the importance of voluntary work and called for greater cooperation between the education dep-artment and charitable organisations to serve the needs of the local community.

At the end of the ceremony, Princess Basmah awarded the certificates to the 128 graduates. Princess Basmah also presided

over a meeting of the constituent assembly of the society for the care of the retarded at the Karak Governorate conference hall.



Her Highness Princess Basmab Tuesday presents certificates to graduates of the sewing and typing courses run by the Mo'ab women's

University language centre continues to expand its activity

By Ailsa C. Duff Special to the Jordan Times

The trbid governor and mayor.

AMMAN (Petra) - The Supply

Ministry decided Tuesday to alter

the prices of all types of locally

produced spaghetti sening them

at 73 fils per 400 gramme packet for wholesalers, and 85 fils per

packet for consumers throughout

The ministry also decided to

the country.

AMMAN - Unknown to many people is the language centre at the University of Jordan where students from both Jofdan and overseas are studying a variety of languages. Established by Royal Decree in 1980 the centre began functioning in September of that

Dr. Mohammed Hassan Ibrahim, the director of the language centre, elaborated on the goals and activities of the institute in an interview with the Jordan Times

Aims and objectives

"The objectives we have are to assist organisations and bodies outside the university in solving their problems in the field of language education, with specific reference to the Ministry of Education. In addition to this we help departments and faculties within the university in solving matters related to language teaching by designing new courses and pro-posing new material for example."

The centre is divided into four sections. The first of these is the English language section which at present offers only one course. Next year however there will two: a general language course for all the university students which contains both a non-credit and a credit course. Students wishing to graduate from the university are obliged to take a proficiency test to ensure that they have achieved a certain level of expertise in English. The results in this test will dictate which of the courses (credit and or non-credit) they will

"In addition to this," said the director, "we sometimes receive requests from the university asking us to design, organise and implement certain courses for specific faculties. At present we are nffering this service to students in the nursing faculty. There they study all their courses in English and so it was lelt that they needed further instruction. Thus we teach them English during the first two years of their training. The material that we have chosen to use for this course comes from text books that are most likely to be utilised by the

establish new consumer prices for

certain brands of detergents as

follows: Persil JD 3,510 per 6.2

kilo packet and JD 1,185 per a 3.1

kilo packet: Anel JD 3.920 per

5-kilo packet, and for Moderno

The new prices will come in to

JD 2,4itt per 3 kilo packet.

force Wednesday.

Course philosophy

"The philosophy behind such courses," explained Dr. Ibrahim. is an approach which is known as E.S.P. (English for Specific Purposes I. We are also doing a similar programme for students in the Faculty of Law. There the students are supposed to be trained in legal terminology, to understand dents at the end of this course get a diploma in Library Science."

The second division of the centre is the Arabic language section which, like the English section, takes care of the proficiency test in Arabic. Once again students must fulfil this requirement in order to graduate from the university. Marks achieved in the test will dictate which of the courses (ngncredit and or credit) they will

"As well as this we have an intensive programme in Arabic for speakers of other languages," stated the director. "Indications seem to be that we are doing better than anyone else in this sphere." Students taking this course do 20 hours a week and in addition must complete set exercises in the language laboratories, libraries and so on. "This course lasts for the regular university term of about 16 weeks." said the director. Some students nevertheless stay on for the whole academic year while others leave after the first term ends.

course" Dr. Ibrahim continued. termed beginners, intermediate

and advanced. If a student takes all three levels" he said, "then he has had the chance to study more than nine hundred hours of Arabic nings. So we considered offering a which should be adequate for him non-intensive programme and we started it last year only to find that to be able to pursue with reathe response was magnificent. We sonable facility: the Arabic studies of his interest."

Foreign universities

"Most people who attend this

programme are students of Arab and Islamic studies in foreign uni-European languages versities, so they come to us from all parts of the world, east and The third section of the centre is west. It is only a minority of students who come here for the comthe modern European language plete year and each student must section. "These are languages himself"; for the University of campus" expounded Dr. Ibrahim. "In this section we teach French. Jordan does not offer scholarships to these students. "Some students Spanish, German, and Italian, of are sponsored by their govwhich the most popular of these is ernment of some other ins-French because French is taught in titution" the director explained. most schools here. Many students "but the university does not fintake these languages as electives ance them." or as a minor paper (with the exc-This semester the language cen-

eption of Italian), he said. tre has about 411 foreign students The latest section to be formed coming from a wide variety of is the translation section which countries - the Soviet Union. was only established recently and admitted its first batch of students United States of America, Switzerland. Federal Republic of last February. A group of 15 stu-Germany, Chile. Malaysia, Thadents are presently enrolled on the iland. Australia and many others. course which covers int-Along with the intensive course erpretation as well as translation.

in Arabic. is a non-intensive one Unfortunately Arabic is one of for predominantly local people. the only United Nations languages 'We started this programme' decin which there is no official acatared Dr. Ibrahim, "at the request demic training to prepare traof people who live in Amman, for nslators or interpretors for work in example embassy staff and cominternational organisations. The

panies, who found it impossible to demand for Arabic translators has attend the intensive course lessons therefore been really high," stated Dr. Ibrahim, "and we hope that which are always held in the morthis programme will help in part to prepare people to meet this demand. At the moment we have the course in only two languages Arahave about 60 students at present bic and English, but later on we taking this course. They come hope to add other languages, must three days a week for a two hour probably United Nations lanlessons" related the director, guages because this is where the which makes a total of 46 houts a demand is greatest."

Students who graduate from this course receive a diploma in translation and interpretation.

The language centre is totally financed by the University of Jnrdan and caters for about 15titl students every term. The centre is equipped with language laboratories and video sets among Other educational aids, and the director happes that they will be able to purchase computers in the future.

Dormitories for girls studying at the centre are available, however the boys must go outside the university to find accommodation. Nevertheless there are a number of privately owned hostels within walking distance of the university which affer decent surroundings and reasonable prices for both male and female students.



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The task that lies ahead

THOSE who think that Jordan's "national security" is a vague term will most probably look at the formation of the Jordanian People's Army with some apprehension as well. We have to admit that we see things differently.

in our view, the highest form of Jordan's national security is this country's ability to take its most independent decision under the most difficult circumstances; and based upon this, there is no doubt that Jordan has every right to ensure for itself meximum national security and to pursue this goal the way it can and sees fit. Consequently, if the formation of the People's Army is one step that the government should take to strengthen our independence, and we believe it is, then there is no question that the debate and swift adoption by the National Consultative Councit (NCC) on Monday of the People's Army bill does serve our country's interests best.

Maybe, the circumstances which surrounded the higher pitch of talk on "national security" were difficult or unfnrtunate. Nevertheless, the concept and its implications remain the same today as they were then: Israel and Israeli policies pose a direct and real threat against Jordan as a people and country; and we can eliminate, or minimise, this threat only if each and everyone of us is made ready to fight the biggest of all Israeli threats to the end when necessary.

Building strength at home to resist Israeli hegemony and expansionist plans is therefore a national requirement, especially in the absence of Arab unity or even solidarity, and this is what Jordan's People's Army is all about and for.

There remains technicalities, details and, the question of resources to be tackled in order to make the army's experiment a success in practice. But, judging by the NCC's discussions on the theoretical side of these issues last Monday, we hope and expect that most, if not all, problems will be surmounted in good time, through hard and sincere work.

No doubt, there will also be the question of our psychological readiness and preparedness for this important turn in building our national strength. Unfortunately, as things stand now, much of the homework has yet to be done. Our people are not unaware of the dangers facing us, nor are they unwilling to sacrifice, but most need to be known better how and where to make the sacrifice for the best results to remove the dangers. The task that lies ahead is not easy, but it has to be done.

ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Seeds of a new alliance

THE Eastern Jews Movement recently formed in Israel should be studied with interest, particularly because it is opposed to the Israeli settlement of Palestinian lands and all forms of racism and oppression against the Palestinians. Furthermore, it has declared that it intends to work for a just solution to the Palestinian issue. What is most interesting is that for the first time eastern Jews in Israel have formed an independent political movement, while it is also the first time they have declared themselves opposed to violence and ext-

During the last three decades, western Jewry have been trying to make themselves look more civilised and tolerant than their eastero counterparts. They formed a distinct class in tsrael which ran state affairs, while the easterners formed the majority of the work force. They used this ascendancy to spread hatred against both the Arabs and the eastern Jews.

If this movement is capable of organising itself into a powerful voting block and is able to translate its declared principles into practice, then there will be a real opportunity for eastern Jews and Palestinians to make a prosperous future guaranteeing justice and stability, and putting an end to the tragedy of the Palestinian people.

Al Dustour: Citizen's patriotic duty

THE National Consultative Council (NCC) has approved the people's army hill, which is a significant step on the path towards achleving the cherished dream of every citizen, namely to defend his country and people. The responsibility for defending the homeland is the responsibility of every citizen. Noone should hesitate to shoulder this responsibility in working alongside the Jordanian armed forces in

performing this patriotic duty.

The NCC approval of this bill came as a response to the people's desire for such a law. Passing the bill at this particular time is a further expression of our people's understanding of the challenges and dangers posed both to Jordan and the Arab Nation. To date our gallant armed forces have carried forth the banner of our country; now it is time for our noble Jordanian citizens to work as comrades alongside our heroic army and to help shoulder the great burden which our brave army has been bearing alone for many years. The army is a school for creating good citizens. Thus the creation of a popular army is an opportunity for our citizens to learn how to become good citizens. There is no greater feeling for a man than to embody the aspirations of his country. Likewise there is no privilege more precious to sacrifice one's life for the sake of the land in which we live.

Sawt Al Shaab: Need for financial support

WE do not exaggerate when we say that the meetings of the joint' Jordanian-Palestinian committee for the support of the steadfasiness of the residents of the occupied Arab territories are among the most important ever undertaken as they tepresent the only link between our kinsmen in the occupied territories and their Arab Nation. Supporting the steadfastness of our kinsmen should be the top priority of all pan-Arab decisions, particularly in the current phase of our region's history. Supporting our brothers in the occupied territories

should not be thwarted by internal divisions in our own Arab. Zionism, which is suppressing our kinsmen, depends on the financing of world Zionisi organisations which have given billions of dollars to Israel. However, the fund for supporting the steadfastness of the Palestinian people is suffering from the failure of certain Arab countries to fulfill their financial obligations. This will consequently weaken the ability of the occupied territories to confront Israel's settlement policies. Our joint committee has therefore made no more important a call than to appeal to Arab states to fulfil their financial obligations.

GCC is a successful experiment in Arab World

By Ibrahim Noori

BAHRAIN — Just two years after its creation the Gulf Cooperation Council in the Arabian peninsula is gaining political stature while also pursuing its original economic and security aims.

A moderating group among the oil states, the six-member council was formed on May 25, 1981, following political turmoil in the strategic region. It favours stable prices to overcome the world rec-

Its members. Saudi Arabia, Bahrain, Oman, Qatar, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates (UAE), together produce a quarter of the world's oil. All but Oman and Bahrain belong to the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC).

Despite strong individualistic Yemen and Ethiopia facing each

officials view the grouping of 12 caused concern. million people as a successful experiment in the Arab World.

"The council has developed into a very serious organisation which knows where it wants to go," a senior government official told Reuters.

A Middle East plan by Saudi Arabia and its allies was unanimously adopted by the Arabs at Fez, Morocco, last September. The allies are also major financial supporters of the Palestine

Liberation Organisation (PLO). The council's establishment followed the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan and Iran's Islamic revolution, both in 1979, and the start of the Iranfraq war in 1980.

The Marxist states of South

traits among its members, Gulf other across the Red Sea, had also

Little has happened since the inception of the council to reduce external security fears of the six conservative states, which spend billions of dollars on buying maiply Western arms.

The 33-month-old Gulf war. which most worries the council, is continuing despite numerous international peace efforts. The council itself has tried to end the war, although some of its members have given Iraq billions of dollars

This month the council sent two ministers to Tehran and Baghdad. The ministers were believed to have discussed peace prospects while ostensibly seeking agreement to light a major oil slick in the Gulf cause by shatterred Iranian wells in the war zone.

Political wrangling between ties with Moscow. Iran and Iraq has so far thwarted all moves to cap the wells, which have been spewing thick crude

The council successfully demonstrated its regional influence last November when it arranged an agreement between Oman and neighbouring South Yemen to end their 15 years of political feuding.

But the two countries, deeply suspicious of each other. have moved no further since then on establishing diplomatic ties or solving border disputes.

Obviously, time is needed for old wounds to heal," the official

Earlier this month, the council sent a team to Aden to assess the economic needs of impoverished

Gulf analysts said the move was an attempt to provide South Yemen with economic ind- rdinated laws on investment, fininto the Gulf for about three ucement for friendship with Oman.

Council members are particularly happy with an economic integration pact they concluded last year designed to create an Arabian Common Market.

"In the economic field, we have done more than the European Community," the official said.

Tariff barriers among the six states were scrapped last March. Ships of member states were also to defend the Guif. guaranteed free access to each other's ports.

and 20 per cent will be levied on foreign imported goods from Sept. 1. The six have also agreed to sel ted as saying. He gave no details of up a \$2.1 billion investment fund. the proposed force.

The agreement aims for collective negotiations with foreign suppliers of goods and cooancial, monetary and panking aff-

The six countries have also concentrated on coordinating defence and internal security policies.

This month, the Cairo newspaper Al Gumhouriya quoted Oman's Foreign Ministry Under-Secretary, Saif Bin Hamad Al Batashi, as saying the council was studying the possible est-ablishment of a joint military unit

"The threat to the Gulf's security will remain as long as there is A unified tax of between four Soviet occupation of Afghanistan and a Soviet military presence in (Marxist) Ethiopia," he was quo-

Toppling of Sandinistas: CIA's latest

By Harold Jackson

Senior administration officials have told members of Congress that the Sandnista regime in Nicaragua could be toppled by the end of the year.

The prediction came during secret testimony to the House and Senate Intelligence Committees - and amid growing reports in Washington that the Americanbacked rebels are about to launch big new affensive.

The House Fareign Affairs Committee is due to debate American policy later this week and nembers are likely to emphasise their deepening concern about Mr. Reagan's methods. The House Intelligence Committee The scenario they presented has

has already voted to cut off funds the rebels picking up more and for the Central Intelligence Agency's covert operations in Nicaragua and the parallel Senate committee has imposed a time limit on the continuation of fun-

The forecast that the govemment would be overthrown came from Mr. William Casey, the director of the CIA, and from Pentagon and State Department officials. It was leaked to the New York Times by congressional sou-rces. A Republican member of the Senate Intelligence Committee commented that "we were told that there are 7,000 rebels and their numbers are growing.

more popular support, which will produce desertions in the Nicaraguan military, all setting the stage for a drive on Managua that forces the government out of power. They think it can work."

President Reagan has repeatedly asserted that the only aim of American policy towards Nic-aragua is to stop the flow of arms through that country to the insurgents in El Salvador. He is claimed that the anti-Sandinista rebel movement is a largely spontaneous uprising by dis-enchanted members of the original anti-Somoza coalition.

One member of the House Intelligence Committee told the New

York Times that "the descriptions orted to be leading a band of about we heard, even though they incwe heard, even though they included lots of qualifications about how the rebels were building up. 100 government troops during their own momentum, have much more in common with President Reagan's reference to them as freedom fighters' than to the official claim that we are providing

shipments. According to reports in Washington, preparations for a new offensive are well-advanded. A central figure in them is the former Sandinista leader, Eden Pstora -famous during the revolution as Commander Zero -- wbo has given interviews to a number of

covert aid only to prevent arms

araguan rebels are planning a three-pronged drive on Managua.

claims to have killed more than

According to American off-

icials, various groups of Nic-

recent actions.

The Pastora forces will operate from the south, a force composed principally of Miskito Indians will fight east of the capital, and the main rebel body, operating across the Honduran border with the clandestine support of the United States, will advance from the nortb.

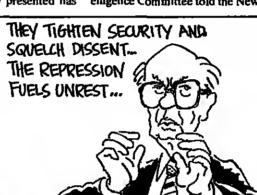
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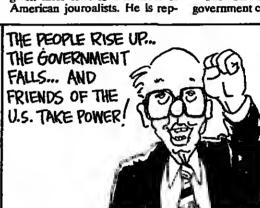
based on the assumption that these different guerrilla forces will act in coordination, although there seems little basis for that bel-

As congressional resistance to administration policy grows, Mr. Reagan and other conservative Republicans have heightened their rhetoric on Central America. In addition to his attack on the Castro government, the president lashed out at Congress. "Our biggest obstacle," he said, "is not foreign threats, but a lack of confidence and understanding. There are far too many trying to find excuses to do nothing."

The Guardian









Thatcher seeks landslide victory Riots reflect French public discontent

By Leslie Dowd

LONDON - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher is now openly seeking a predicted landslide viclory in next month's general election to enable her to play a more forceful role on the world scene.

The British leader, who became Europe's first woman prime minister in May 1979, has told joumalists she already feels herself taking a more forceful role because she is now virtually the West's most experienced leader.

Before breaking off cam-paigning to make a 24-hour appearance at the Williamsburg economic summit she told reporters: 'We really do need an unusually large majority, an unusually large authority, for the health and strength of the NATO alliance and lo give a clear lead int-

emarionally." Thatcher, who recently termed the Soviet Union, "Our swom enemies", added: "That (an unusually large majority) would enable us to extend our leadership to do more in Europe and more in

the rest of the world." Four opinion polls reinforced predictions that Thatcher will get ber landslide, giving standings as: Conservative 46-49 per cent. Labour 30-31.5 per cent and centrist Alliance t8-23 per cent.

Such a voting profile in the June poll would give Thatcher at least a 200-seat clear majority over all opposition groupings in the new 650-seat house of commons.

A typical line-up might be: Conservatives 450 seats. Labour

there is a "For Sale" sign.

Liberals 13, Social Democratic Party 29.

A landslide would oust dozens of famous faces from parliament. including probably all four leaders of the fledgling Social Democratic Party (SDP).

Thatcher's political opponents. like Social Democrat industry spokesman John Grant, are already terming the prospect a nightmare and there are strong signs that a "stop Thatcher at all costs" strategy is under way in the main parties.

"The cold warrior will escalate the arms race and sacrifice our health, welfare and education services on the altar of private profit," said Grant.

"She wants a landslide because she wants to brush aside the control and wishes of a democratically elected parliament," charged Labour spokesman Gerald Kau-

"It's something the country doesn't want to see," added Social Democrat David Owen, a former.

Labour foreign secretary.

Left-wingers fear Tbatcher would interpret a big vote of public confidence as a green light to break trades union power and dismantle the state health and other welfare services, charges Thatcher denies.

There are also fears Britain would be left without an effective parliamentary opposition, which she discounts.

One likely effect of a Conservative-dominated part70, Alliance 9. The breakdown liament would be to restore han-

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in the last parliament was: Con-servatives 334 seats, Labour 239, three of the young Conservatives seeking election for the first time strongly favour restoration of

hanging, abolished in 1965. Thatcher has not spell out bow she sees herself in an enlarged international leadership role, but she has strongly backed President Reagan's policies. She has forcefully condemned the Soviet presence in Afghanistan and thrown her full authority behind the plan to base U.S. cruise missiles in Bri-

She has fought with determination for British interests in the European Community, securing cuts in Britain's net budget contributions.

Yet Thatcher's current popularity would not have been suspected t8 months ago when she was in the doldrums. It was the so-called "Falklands factor", her dispatch of a 100-sbip task force that retook the colony from Argentina, which boosted her.

Britons saw this action as a resolute stand marking a new national self-awareness.

But her style, which opponents characterise as that of a bossy schoolmistress, has itself become an election issue, with the opposition fuelling fears that she wants to swing to a more presidential type of leadership.

"She's a competitor," said Lab-our leftist Tam Dalyell. "She regards herself as queen." Home Secretary (Interior Min-

ister) William Whitelaw gently defended his leader, saying: "She is dominating but not domincering."

By Donald Forbes Reuter

PARIS — Demonstrations by students against university reforms have been a pale shadow of the riots which shook France in 1968 but symbolise wide public discontent after two years of Socialist rule, French commentators

nomic crisis and open policy conflicts among Socialist leaders have sapped the popularity of President Francois Mitterrand and his administration. One opinion poll said Mit-

Austerity, a worsening eco-

terrand, elected in 1981 with a mandate to transform French society, was the most unpopular president for 25 years. Farmers, trade unionists, doc-

tors, policemen and university teachers have jostled with the students this spring in the queue of Frenchmen anxious to voice concern over government policies and squeezed living standards. Their grievances are diverse but

have been given a focus by the plight of the economy. The pro-Socialist magazine Nouvel Observateur said: "rarely bas the gulf between a government and the governed been so deep. The national mood of dis-

sastisfaction has been reinforced by suspicions that the austerity regime of higher taxes and currency restrictions imposed in March will fail. The trade defich showed a big

improvement last month but inflation is still accelerating. Many

Finance Minister Jacques Delors will meet his commitment to bold it to eight per cent this year. Unofficial statistics published

by the conservative daily Le Figaro said pay settlements this year were running at the equivalent of 12 per cent, a third higher than the Delors target. The government strategy has

also been endangered by external factors such as the steady rise of the dollar against the franc which has wiped out the effect of lower oil prices.

Accustomed to an upward curve of prosperity under the Fiftb Republic, the comments of many ordinary Frenchmen and their leaders now reflect an uncharacteristic lack of selfconfidence.

Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy warned in parliament on that the government would not tolerate the street violence that has surrounded the student and farmer DIOLESTS.

But the sense of malaise has not been soothed by the low key approach adopted by his administration since Mitterrand hesitatingly reconfirmed bim as prime minister in March after sharp reverses for the left in municipal ele-

Political sources said the government was increasingly damaged by the refusal of top Socialists to endorse the Delors plan.

Senior left-wing Socialists have complained incessantly that the government jumped the wrong way in March and should have cation.

French economists doubt wbether opted for a protectionist withdrawal from the European Mon-

etary System (EMF). Mitterrand . aware of the confused public reaction, called the dissidents to order when he said: "There can only be one policy for France and there is only onc. I

want this to be clear. The disquiet of the left is shared by the government's Communist allies whose criticisms increasingly indicate an eventual break with Mitterrand, according to political

sources. Withdrawal from the govemment by the Communists would free the Communist-led CGT trade union federation from

its present constraints in industrial disputes, they said.
The left is in any case far from isolated in contemplating a goit-alone economic strategy which could wreck European unity. An opinion poll said 77 per cent of French people would not be averse to import controls as a means

of boosting domestic industrial production and reducing imports. Some political commentators said Mitterrand might still not be deaf to such a strategy if the Delors plan appears to be heading clearly for collapse.

Student leaders said they would continue protests against the Socialist reforms intended to make the universities better able to respond to the needs of the economy.

They fear that the changes. which the government is determined to press, will reduce aca-demic freedom and increase political control over higher edu-

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TV magicians in Petra look for its mysteries

By Gamini Akmeemana Special to the Jordan Times

PETRA — On Aug. 22, 1812, Swiss traveller Jean-Louis Burqhardt, accompanied only by a bedouin guide and a goat, took approximately 25 minutes to negotiale the labyrinthine mile known as the Siq, the gateway to Petra. A pedestrian can cover the distance m about 16 minutes but Burqhardt, with a sense of destiny and a pair of rather bruised feet, apparently took his time.

One bot and windy morning in May 1983, three cross-country vehicles, carrying a television film crew and laden with their equipment, took ten minutes to traverse the Siq. For the first time in its history, the Siq bad a traffic problem. Tourists in various stages of curiosity, indignation and horror, mounted on sardonic horses, stared as the three dusty vehicles made less-than-stately progress over an endless stream of rocks.

Having rediscovered Petra, Burqhardt went on to Aqaba; he spent only one day there. His guide was ready to believe that he was a magician looking for hidden treasure, and he sacrificed the goat to Nabi Haroon at sundown to allay the guide's suspicions.

One of the Land Rovers too, was carrying a goat. However,

most painstaking type, involving weeks, months and even years of hard work for one or two hours' 'magic". In this case, to prepare the spell for a worldwide audience of TV viewers would take about six weeks, day after day of filming from sunrise to sundown, much of il in Petra itself.

And then, some filming will be done at Wadi Rum, a location which was used so effectively in "Lawrence of Arabia." This documentary, a Spanish-Jordanian co-production for television, has hopes of clinching some top award al an international TV film contest later this year. Meanwhile, JTV is playing bost to the Spanish guests, apart from its agreed technical commitments.

At eight a.m. the relatively mild sunlight comes over the Sig to fall on the "rose-red" Treasury. The motor vehicles stand in from like toys. "Burghardt" gets out the van. It's Dr. Vicente Simon, playwright, translator, archaeologist, the script-writer of this film and, above all clse, the man who ptays the role of Burghardt.

There is one lithograph by an unknown artist showing Burqhardt's profile; in it he looks very intense, a lean face with a hawkish expression. Dr. Simon, roundfaced and mild-mannered, is very

The film traces Burquardt's progress in Petra meticulously. "I want to have everything very correct," Dr. Simon tells the Jordan Times in an interview carried out in snatches during breaks in filming. We pass a meditative camel. which suddenly turns its head and tries to grab Dr. Simon's turban. "This is a documentary film, and we are dealing with history, don't forget. But sometimes I have to use my imagination for dramatie effect; do you understand me?" But the director, Jaime Villate, is already looking for Burqbardt;

the interview must wait. "Silence!" There is silence for a moment, but that fools no one. There's a group of visiting scboolboys a few yards away, and someone inevitably says some elbing "Silence!" This is repeated more forcefully in Arabic by Samih Yusef, the assistant director. Now it is really silent.
"Stand by!" Now the film crew goes through the ritual that takes place before each and every shol: "Run sound," says the director.
"Running," answers the sound technician. "Action!" shouts the director, and Burqbardt begins to walk ten steps behind the guide and the goat.

They bave hardly taken two steps before a horse neighs in the different from that Burghardt. distance. Voices follow; another But he does look rather like the group of tourists has arrived. .older, serene-looking Burghardt "Cut," shouts the director. Exa-



From left to right: The guide, Burqbardt, the director and the assistant director walt as the director . (Photo by lan Carruthers).

of photography checks the light before filming

He comes back, injuries cleaned

and bandaged, moving awk-

wardly. The doctor at the clinic, it

seems, had studied in Spain and

speaks Spanish. So do Samih and

Mohammad, both graduates from

Spain. That obviously makes

things a great deal easier. The cli-

mate doesn't, though. The air is

warm and dry. The wind, even though it's a nuisance while fil-

Some blue thistle flowers cha-

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anders, but they are vasily out-

numbered, "You can't leave log-

"Because of the dust. Only one

We wait. Great clouds of dust

chicle goes at a time. You wait."

spring up anyway. There is an inc-

omprehensible sign halfway along

the Siq. saying "paved road." The driver suddenly brakes. Blocking

the path is a sweating man, thr-

ether." says the gatekeeper.

"Why not?"

ming, helps cut the heat.

Just bope that a horse doesn't want to neigh.

Or that another jet isn't approaching overhead. "Sound O.K.?" the director asks Musa Assal, the sound technician. Musa nods. His equipment is so sensitive that a piece of scrap paper flying in the wind yards away can be a major disturbance. Often, the rising wind is itself a big nuisance, particularly in the evening. But, at last, things seem to be all right; no one speaks, no horses neigh, and no jets pass overhead. Not bad.

No time to rest. It's only 12 noon anyway. Into the jeeps for another dusty ride. "I spent one year preparing the script," Dr. Simon says. The whole project is bis brainchild. Everybody involved must be very patient. Time is spent in long and large chunks. You can spend a whole morning filming one scene which, after editing, is precisely ten seconds long.

'We need bedouins," says the director. Burgbardt is in the monument of the 14 tombs, and is discovered by several suspicious bedouins; only the timely arrival of his guide saves him from some unpleasantness. "I'll find them for you," says Dr. Raslan Bani Yassin, a Yarmouk University Iccreperation acts as adviser. He and Monathing Kheir Fasbeh, the JTV producer, set off in a Land Rover looking for actors.

One bedouin youth is willing enough, but Dr. Raslan sbakes his bead. "He looks too young." Well, there are enough others. The only problem is: "How much?" asks the man; he's about fifty, and twirls bis formidable driver posted somewhere along mustaches. "Why do you worry?" asks Dr. Raslan. "Come on, get lians on indignant horses have in." Four bedouins gel into the back. Oleanders are in bloom on None of the film crew speaks both sides of the unpaved road. A Italian, and none of the Italians bedouin youth gallops past the seem to speak Spanish or Arabic. jeep with a broad grin.

'Natural actors'

Oleanders seem to bave a monopoly of nature's flower display in speaking, coughing or sneezing. How well would the four bedouins to come back from Wadi Musa

fare in front of the camera? The scene is rehearsed a few times. They enter the cave with their muskets and thunder at Burghardt, "Perfect," the director says. The water bottles are passed around, "Natural actors," says Dr. Ian Carruthers, from the Fine Arts Dept., Yarmouk University. He's in Petra with his student-actors totake part in the film; he'll play the role of an English naval officer.

Lorenzo Cerebrian, the director of photography, has had an accidental fail. Almost the entire floor area of the cavern is taken up by the 14 tombs and, momentarily blinded by the flash lights, Lorenzo had slipped into a pit. They examine his injuries; if he cannot continue, Rafael Ciques, the assistant cameraman, can take over. But Lorenzo, even though large patches of skin had come off his back, elbows and left knee, continues work without grumbling.

"Let's go home," says Jorge Sanchez, the producer for Spanish television. Biscuits can't satisfy this kind of hunger, so everybody's eager to get back to the resthouse as fast as possible and have a thumping lunch.

But, just as we are about to leave the cave, two middle-aged American ladies come into bave a look. You can see the dis appointment running across their faces as they take in the whole

'Is this a film set?'

"Is this a film sel?" One asks the other dubiously. "I like the Americans," the director says with a broad grin as the two ladies leave. their visions of some Hollywoodtype scenario shattered.

Lunch and more water, tea and coffee. "Is it normal to drink three, four cups of coffce at a 1ime?" someone asks. People drink water like camels. Normally, there's a two-hour afternoon break, but today they had arrived back late at 2 p.m. and must leave as usual by three. There's a delay. Petra. But now the question is: however, as we wait for one jeep

curses in Italian. There's only 2 to pull him aside. The driver changes gear and the man raises his hand again.

Finally, he moves aside and drops the rock, but continues eursing. "Loco." says Jorge, as the jeep rumbles past him.

These are the occupational risks. Obviously, some people can't stand a little dust. This lime. we travel the entire length and reach the place where Burghardi sacrificed a goat to Nabi Haroon at sundown.

"No, it's not the longest film I've made." the director says. "I have made about ten documentaries; let's say each has about thirteen episodes of 30 minutes each." This film, in two parts, is only two hours long." But in scope, it's a big film," he continues. "No. it's not my first foreign experience. I have made films in South America; Mexico. especially. But this is my first visit to the Middle East.

"The Spanish and Arabs have a lot in common. I think, and I'm not talking to you about history. You can see the way we express our feetings. We are emotional in the same way, and even a lot of our confusion is the same. So I feet very happy, really, to be able to make a film about Petra." The sun slips behind a gray cloud and cuts short the interview. "O.K. everybody, let's get ready."

In the distance, smoke rises from a bedouin settlement. The slope is covered with pieces of Nabataean pottery. The "magic moment" when the sun and the clouds must fit into the film's vision is at hand. "Silence" shouts the assistant director. But one of the reflectors, indispensible to control the light, is thrown off balance by the wind, and Antonio Roque, the team's technician and Jack of all trades, must run after it.

Somehow, it isn't damaged. "Sound running" says Musa. eatening to hit the jeep with a "Action!" Burghardt, worn down

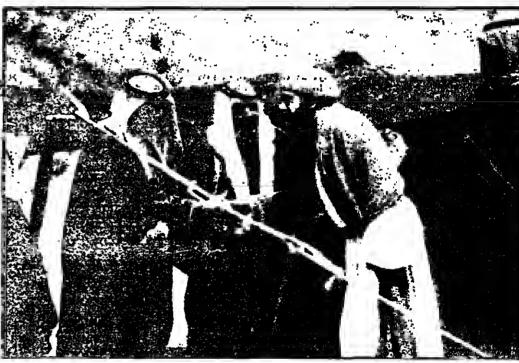
large rock. There is a moment of and at the end of his tether, reastunned silence within as the man ches the top of the slope with his guide. Now he is ready to sacrifice woman with him and she is trying the goat. Only the wind makes any noise, and now it's welcome. Burghards bends down to throw the goat on its side... the guide bends down to assist him: "Al Contrario," says Burghardt, struggling with the terrified goal.

> Someone starts smirking; everybody bursts into loud laughter. "Cut." says the director, almost as an afterthought. "Let's do it again." They go through it again and again. The magic moment has arrived, and won't last for long, but things go wrong time after time. Beams of dust criss-cross the air and the throny grass is lilac in the disappearing sunlight. Once more. "Bismill'ah... Allahu Akbar," says Dr. Simon, drawing his dagger.

> The goat utters a realistic cry of lerror. That's it for the day, ten minutes past six. Everybody and everything in the vehicles, and we return. Antonio riding on the 10p of the van.

> The day departs reluctantly. taking its time, and night is kept cooling its heels. Having scrubbed the dust off their bodies, everybody eats gregariously. Tomorrow too, will more or tess be the same. It is routine, but a painstakingly detailed-out one. The director, the assistant director, the producers and the director of pholography must work late into the night, preparing tomorrow's sch-

There's a crescent moon in the night sky. Exhaustion brings deep sleep. More than two thousand years ago, the Nabatacans brought a goddess called Al 'Uzza to their city from the Shera Mountains. And they thought that Venus was the star of that goddess. There is no trace of her loday. But Venus still shines as brightly; and the wind makes the same noises through the sandstone, punctuated by the neighing of horses and the laborious. oddly mechanical braying of donkeys day and night.



Burqhardt (fourth from left) meets inquisitive bedouins with the Shera Mountains as the backdrop (Photo by lan Carrothers)

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had started filming in February

Magic of a kind

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stand a chance against the thistles

of Petra unless you have a pair of

really hard shoes, and Dr. Simon,

dressed as an early nineteenth

century traveller, has to manage

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not?" Dr. Simon asks, adjusting

his turban. Did he, really? "Of

course be did," says Dr. Simon. That's how he recorded the time

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very logical: Burghardt, after all,

Did you ever think if Bur-

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his walkie-talkie to the "guard."

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But the camera speaks for itself.

and they approach. "Stop them!"

Samih explains furiously to the

group's guide. The group retreats

a little and starts taking pho-

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SPORTS

Scots battle for pride today

LONDON (R) - Scotland will be Northern Ireland on Saturday, the forgiven everything by their "tartan army" of supporters if they crush the old enemy England al Wembley in the British Soccer Championship Wednesday.

Victory would clinch the title for the Scots, who currently lead the group with England. But more importantly it would restore their battered pride.

Scottish fans have been more than a little starved of international success in recent months. Their side has missed out on a place in the European Championship finals in France next year having scored just one win in

But the gloom surrounding their dismal showing would be swept away with a win in this traditional hattle against arch rivals England. And all the signs indicate that Jock Stem's side can del-

iver the goods. While England laboured to a cumbersome goalless draw against

HELSINKI (R) — The Soviet

Union could take a firm grip on

group two of the European Soccer

Championship if they beat lowly

Finland in their qualifying match

here Wednesday (kickoff 1700

The Soviet Union have been

beaten only once in their last 31

internationals and victory Wed-

nesday would push them three

points clear of second place Pol-

and and well set for a place in the

not escaped Soviet coach Valeri

Lohanovski: "Wednesday's game

is an important one and it's clear

it's going to be tough," he said, "If

we manage to win it, we'll hold on

to a good chance of winning the

Lohanovski will be without str-

iker Sergei Radionov, injured in

training at the weekend, but is lik-

ely to name a side similar to that

which held Poland 1-1 in Warsaw

That means a World Cup stars

Oleg Blokhin and goalkeeper

Rinat Dasavev are likely to win a

place hut Ramaz Shengelia could

earlier this month.

The significance of the clash has

finals in France next year.

Scots rattled two goals past Wales in an impressive performance.

And with Aberdeen's success m the European Cup Winners' Cup final in Gothenburg still fresh in their minds, Scottish tails are very definitely up.

It will be the 101st match hetween the two sides, with England and Scotland recording 39 wins each with 22 draws.

England manager Bobby Robson looks certain to recall Man-chester United captain Bryan Robson to midfield along with Liverpool's Sammy Lee. Both players missed the clash in Belfast on Saturday and England looked woefully short aggression.

England have retained enigmatic mid-fielder Glenn Hoddle at the expense of Tottenham team mate Gary Mabbut for the match.

Hoddle, who has failed to reproduce consistently at int- sign him when his contract expires emational level his outstanding shortly.

Finland have no injury worries.

hut prop up the group having

taken just one point from their

Denmark needs victory

COPENHAGEN (R) - Den-

mark could take a giant stride towards the finals of the European

Soccer Championship Wednesday.

by beating Hungary in their group

three qualifying clash here (kick-off 1700 GMT).

The Danes, undeafeated with

five points from three games, have

emerged as England's chief rivals

for the one qualifying place and victory would put them just a point behind the group leaders with a game in hand.

Hungary have failed to find the

form which carried them to the

World Cup finals in Spain last

year. They crashed 3-2 at home to

Greece earlier this month, a result

which has left them out of cou-

tention with four points from four week.

still be left out.

four games.

club form, was recalled to the England team by manager Bobby Robson for the goalless draw against Northern Ireland.

Robson has made two changes to the side, recalling Manchester United skipper Bryan Robson and Liverpool's Sammy Lee in place of Mabbut and Luther Bhssett.

Stein, however, has a problem of who to leave out. Dundee United's Dave Narey is likely to make way for John Wark in midfield and Celtic's Charlie Nicholas could join the attack in place of Tottenham's Alan Brazil or Andy Gray of Wolverhampton.

Nicholas, Scottish soccer's hottest property with 52 goals, could hardly find a better arena in which to parade his much sought after skills. English League champions Liverpool, Football Association (F.A.) Cup winners Manchester United and Arsenal are all keen to

for the match, knowing his side

must win to keep alive their hopes.

the trio from Dutch champions

Ajax, utility man Jan Moelby, str-

iker Jesper Olesen, and defender

Socren Lerby, as well as striker

Preben Elkjaer from Belgjan side

Denmark's West German man-

ager Sepp Piontek is also expected

to include former European foo-

thall player of the year Allan Sim-

onsen, who returned to his home

club Vejle after leaving Spain's

Barcelona for a spell with English

But one blow for the Danes is

cluh Charlton.

Denmark will rely heavily on

Essex Tuesday. Soviets to play crucial match today

> West Indian Norbert Phillip and pace partner Neil Foster were the men responsible for the damage in just 14.3 overs. expected to make seven changes

> > figures of 7.3-4-4-6 and Foster, only 21, took four for 10 in his first appearance since a serious hack injury a year ago.

Polish climbers scale Dhaulgiri

KATHMANDU (R) - Polish mountaineers have reached the summit of Dhaulgiri I, the world's sixth highest peak, by the north face route which defeated eight expeditions until conquered by a Japanese team last autumn, the Nepalese tourism ministry said

reached the 8,167-metre (26,795-foot) summit on May 18 without the use of oxygen. They were Miroslaw Gardzielewski, 29, an engineer from Kielce, Jacek the absence of Hamburg striker Jezierski, a 25-year-old biologist Lars Bastrup, who fractured his from Sopot, Tadeusz Laukajtys, jaw in his side's European Cup 43, a technician from Torun, and final win over Italy's Juventus last Waclaw Otreba, 35.a Gdynia eng-

Coe makes 1st major appearance on Sunday

LONDON (R) - Britain's triple world record holder Sebastian Coe makes his first major track appearance of the season at Birmingham's Alexander Stadium on Sunday.

Coe, 26, will run in the mile for Britain against the Soviet Union in their international

Coe holds the world mile record with three minutes 47.33

Surrey dismissed for 14

LONDON (R) - Surrey were sensationally dismissed for 14 runs in their English County, cricket championship clash against

It was Surrey's worst score and only two better than the all-time championship low of 12 by Northamptoushire against Glo-

ucestershire in 1907. Manager Kalman Meszoely is

Phillip finished with astonishing

Four of the 10-man Polish team

Roger-Vasselin tramples Connors, reaches French Open semifinals

PARIS (R) — Top seed Jimmy derful. I feel wonderful, especially Connors was bundled out of the French Open tennis cha- quarter-finals here at Roland mpionships 6-4, 6-4, 7-6 by lowly-ranked Frenchman Christophe Roger-Vasselin here Tue-

Roger-Vasselin, ranked 130th on the Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) computer, took two hours 43 minutes to defeat the American in front of a capacity 16,500 crowd on the centre court.

Connors, who played some superb tennis in the earlier rounds, made scores of unforced errorsoff his forehand in the quarter-final match to let the unseeded 25year-old Frenchman take the first two sets.

He rallied for a while in the third set to take a 4-0 lead but frittered it away as he struggled to cope with his opponent's steady clay court game.

Roger-Vasselin, ranked eighth in France, did not allow Connors to settle into the high-paced game he likes.

Roger-Vasselin, of an English mother and a French father, was British junior grass court champion in the late 1970s.

The crowd cheered the French outsider's every shot as the only non-seed left in the men's draw constantly blunted Connors' ëdge with looping returns.

He pulled back to force a riebreak in the third and crucial set and, as Connors put five forehand shots out of court, won 7-5 to clinch the third set 7-6.

Afterwards Roger-Vasselin, in elated mood, said: "It's wonGarros.

"I decided before the game 1 would try to play his forehand, and not to make any mistakes. It worked, and I didn't have to change my tactics."

Roger-Vasselin, normally an attacking player, was asked how he managed to play a haseline game for more than twoand-a-balf hours. He said: "When you play for a place in the semifinals of the French Open you make a little effort."

He now meets either compatriot Yannick Noah or Czech Ivan Lendl in the last four.

The defeat of Connors, who had been looking more and more like justifying his top seeding after entering the competition late on a wild card, means that the top seeds in both men's and women's sec-tions have been ousted by unseeded players.

Martina Navratilova, the U.S. world number one, was eliminated by U.S. teenager Kathy Horvath in the fourth round.

Tuesday's match was expected to be an easy affair for Connors, who looked impressive in his wins over Craig Miller and Paul McNamee of Australia, Hans Gildermeister of Chile and lastly U.S. player Eric Fromm.

But the U.S. champion, bidding for the one grand slam title he has never won, was a picture of frustration in the first two sets, making unforced errors as Roger-Vasselin calmly made a series of looping, safe returns which effectively kept the game at an ideal speed for him.

Connors in fact challenged in only the third set when he ran up a 4-0 lead.

Jaeger wins easily

Third-seeded Andrea Jaeger of the U.S. advanced comfortably to the semifinals of the French Open tennis championships Tuesday when she defeated fellow American Gretchen Rush, the only amateur remaining in the draw, 6-2, 6-2.

Jaeger, defeated by Martina Navratilova in last year's final, broke Rush's service in the very first game, before racing away to a 5-1 lead and clinching the set in

only 34 minutes. Rush, who had attempted to play Jaeger at ber own baseline game without making any imp-

ression, changed tactics at the start

of the second set.

three seed and to attack the net but was often left stranded by Jaeger a precise passing shots and delicate lobs landing just short of the baseline.

The first three games went against serve hut in the fourth Jaeger survived three break points to hold her serve, take a 3-1 lead and wrap up the match 6-2, 6-2. Jaeger, 17, will now meet com-

patriot Chris Evert Lloyd or Czechoslovak Hana Mandlikova m the semifinals. The pair play later Tuesday. She said at her post-match news

conference that she did not have any preferences between her two possible opponents.

It doesn't make any difference in such a weird tournament, First we had Navratilova out. Horvath who beat her was killed by Jansover and now Austin is also out."

Sounders beats Sao Paulo

SEATTLE, Washington (R) - Former England goalkeeper Joe Corrigan turned in a brilliant display to help Seattle Sounders beat Sao Paulo of Brazil 4-2 to win the Transatlantic Challenge Soccer

Corrigan, who joined Seattle from relegated English first division Manchester City earlier this year, pulled off a string of top-class saves

to deny the Brazilians. Corrigan's compatriot David Kemp hit Scattle's first goal past Brazilian World Cup goalkeeper Waldir Peres after only six minutes.

hut Ze Sergio set up Renato to equalise four minutes later. Sounders, runners-up in last year's Soccer Bowl; went ahead again in the 19th minute when Mark Peterson rifled home a pass from another former Manchester City star Steve Daley.

Kemp added the third in the 77th minute before Peterson sealed the victory by making 4-1 with six minutes to go after good work hy

Humberto grabbed a consolation goal for Sao Paulo with less than

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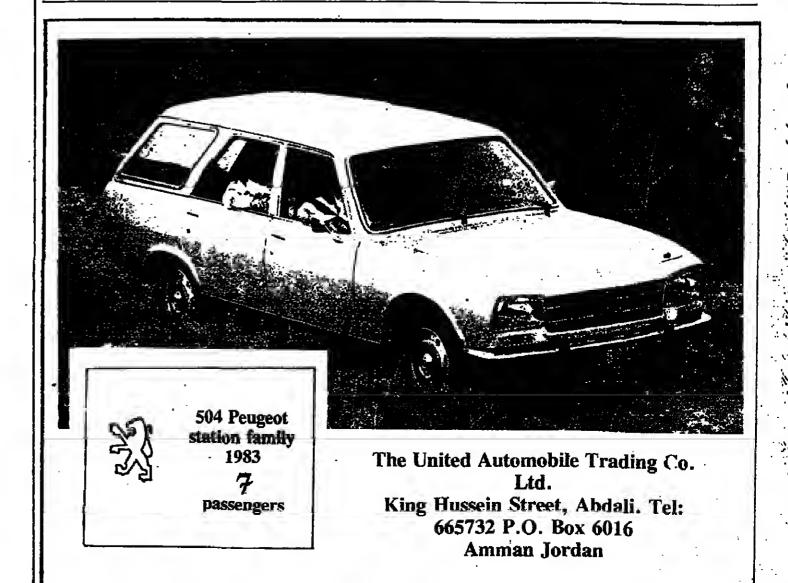
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Total Arab GNP falls in '81

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Gross National Product (GNP) of Arab countries totalled \$378,000 million in 1981; after rising from \$194,700 million to \$384,000 million between 1975-80, a recent Arab League report, quoted by the London-based MEED, magazine

The report, compiled by the league's economic group, with the Arab Monetary Fund, the Kuwan-based Arab Fund for Economic and Social Development and the Organisation of Arab Petroleum Exporting Countries (OAPEC), divided the Arab World into four

In group one, oil producers with "adequate" populations — Algeria and Iraq — GNP almost trebled between 1975 and 1980, from \$27,900 million to \$80,300 million. However, it slumped to \$60,300 million in 1981.

Group two, oil producers with "lesser" populations, comprised the UAE, Qatar, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia and Libya. Their GNP increased from \$76,700 million in 1975 to \$212,100 million to 1980, and to \$221,100 million in 1981.

Group three included Jordan, Bahrain, Tunisia, Oman, Lebanon, Egypt and Morocco. Total GNP in 1975 was \$38,400 million in 1980 \$74,700 million and in 1981 \$81,900 million.

Group four, the less-developed Arab states - Sudan, Somalia, Mauritania, the Yemens and Djibouti — saw its GNP rise from \$6,800 in 1975 to \$13,700 million in 1980 and to \$14,600 million in

WFP sets \$1350m aid target

ROME (R) - The World Food Programme (WFP), a Rome-based United Nations agency, Monday set an aid target of \$1,350 million for the two-year period 1985-86.

The \$150 million increase approved by the WFP's 30-nation governing body was a 13 per cent rise on the 1983-4 target, the agency said in a statement.

WFP Executive Director James Ingram, who asked for a \$300 million increase two weeks ago, said the figure was satisfactory in view of the present world economic situation.

He added he was confident the WFP would reach the target. Over the last 20 years the World Food Programme has become the second largest source of development assistance within the U.N. system after the World Bank.

EEC inflation drops to 8.7%

BRUSSELS (R) - The annual rate of inflatioo in the 10-oatioo European Community fell to 8.7 per cent last month, the lowest level for years, the community's statistics office said Tuesday. The drop came despite a relatively high one per cent increase in

prices in April, largely due to seasonal factors. The office said that the April price rises were particularly marked in Greece (1.7 per cent), and in Britain and France (both 1.4 per

Over the year to the end of April the Netherlands achieved most success in holding down inflation, with prices in the shops rising just 2.5 per cent, while the rate in West Germany was 3.3 per cent. At the other end of the scale, consumers in Greece had to pay 21.5

Metalworkers agree on plan

per cent more, and in Italy an extra 16.3 per cent.

BRUSSELS (R) - Metalworkers in six European countries bave agreed to work together for the first time for a shorter working week in an attempt to stem rising redundancies, a trade union leader said

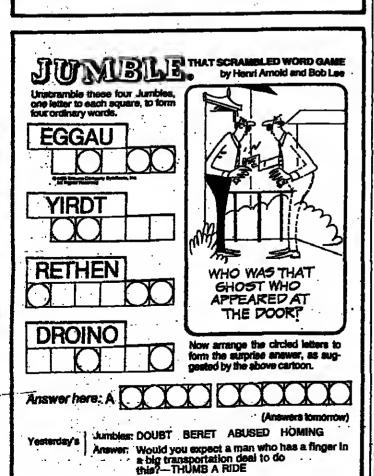
Mr. Hubert Thierron, secretary-general of the European Meta. alworkers' Federation (EMP), told Reuters the plan would be discussed by representatives of seven million workers at a two-day meeting in Naples this week.

The conference on Thursday and Friday is the first general assembly since 1980 of the EMF which has members in recession-hit industries such as steel, shiphuilding, carmaking and railways.

Mr. Thierron said member unions in West-Germany, France, Britain, Italy, Belgium and Holland bave agreed to work together from the end of 1983 to cut the working week to 35 hours. Their uld be limited to disc sions and would stop short of strikes The EMF secretariat would like to use the threat of a walkout by seven million workers in 15 countries, he said, "hut we've not rea-

ched that stage yet. Strikes would be almost impossible to organise." Delegates in Naples would also review the damage wrought by worsening relations with employers, soaring unemployment and the introduction of high technology, Mr. Thierron said.





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Dollar, sterling firm amid Williamsburg disappointment

FRANKFURT (R) — The dollar. tinue despite the Western leaders' opened at a new high against the commitment in the summit's final. French franc in Paris and a sixmonth high against the West German mark in Frankfurt Tuesday as foreign exchange dealers expressed disappointment at the

Williamsburg summit outcome. In early trading, the dollar touched 7.57 francs before easing to 7.5550, above Monday's record 7.5495 fix.

German dealers said belief that U.S. interest rates will remain firm or rise was behind the dollar's strong opening rate of 2.5225/45 marks here.

They added that the Williamshurg summit of industrialised Western nations failed to tackle the key problems of high interest rates and the U.S. hudget deficit and gave no hope of lower interest rates.

In London, the dollar remained strong after the long weekend bol-iday, opening 70 points above Fri-Australian foreign exchange day's close at 2.5200/10.

weighted basket of currencies (1975 base 100) rising a full point from Friday's close to \$8.0 Dealers in the British capital

said the three-day summit, which ended Monday, produced no new factors to increase expectations of government action to moderate weekend's summit of major Wes-

Dealers in Frankfurt said they

communique to intervene jointly in foreign exchange markets where necessary.

Sterling was also strong in Frankfurt, where dealers said expectations of a general election victory hy Britain's ruling Conservative Party pushed it up from Monday's close of 4.036 to open at a six-month high of 4.070

Traders said election sentiment favouring the Conservatives aided the British currency and continuing high U.S. interest rates made the dollar an especially attractive invesment

Dealers in Tokyo said the United States had softened its economic stance at Williamsburg, but one commented: "This is a matter of spirit and in reality the policy has not changed. The market is

dealers also expressed dis-Sterling continued its strong appointment, saying that a summit performance of last week, with its which had been expected pareffective value against a trade, ticularly to give new direction to the world economy had in fact resulted in nothing definite.

Meanwhile, the United States will listen more closely in future to requests from its allies for action to try to stabilise the world's eurrency markets, a senior U.S. official said Monday. He told reporters that after this

expected the dollar's rise to con- tern industrialised nations the

S. Arabia, U.S. firm sign accord

RIYADH (R) - The U.S. Uoion Carbide Corporation will manage

the design, construction and initial operation of a new ethylene plant

at Rubail in eastern Saudi Arabia, the Saudi Basic Industries Cor-

poration (Sabic) said Tuesday. It said in a press statement the ser-

vices, including training, will be provided under an agreement signed here Tuesday between Union Carbide and a Sahic subsidiary, the

Arabian Petrochemical Company (Petrokemiya). Sabic gave no

other details of the ethylene project, one of 11 industrial projects it has undertaken in the kingdom.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

dealers said. At 1500 the F.T. index was down 0.5 at 711.7.

The market was quiet, with caution following last week's sharp

gains which took the F.T. index to record levels, the lower Wall

Street reopening following Friday's news of a further rise in M1

money supply and the approaching election all serving to sideline

investors, dealers said. Leaders were mainly lower, although

Government bonds fell by as much as % point at the long end.

Government bonds eased in response to profit taking after last

week's gains, with sentiment also depressed by Friday's further

rise in U.S. money supply, seen as pointing to continued firm U.S.

Among leading equities, Glazo and Fisons each fell 5p Tate and

Lyle and Beecham were each 4p lower, although 1C1 gained 2p at

472. Incheape fell 4p at 316 and MEPC gained 5p at 236, both

following final results. Food stocks were lower, but in firm ele-

mixed. In Lower newspapers Fleet Holdings fell 4p to 76.

Banks reversed early gains to show little change, while oils were

ctricals Ferranti and Racal were up by 10 and 12p.

Gold shares were mixed and North Americans mainly lower.

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3.5.41 Ox.s. (1) LONDON (R) - Share prices drifted to close slightly lower, Reagan administration's policy on intervention had been "modified to this extent, that we agree to talk more and discuss more about intervention as to whether it would be helpful."

The administration had consistently said it would intervene only when markets were "disorderly." It had steadfastly resisted calls from some of its allies, primarily France and Italy, to enter the foreign exchange markets more frequently.

But a final communique issued Monday by leaders of the United States, Britain, Canada, France. Italy, Japan, and West Germany said they would intervene jointly "where it is agreed that such int-

ervention would be helpful." The official said the administration still believed intervention was appropriate only when markets were disorderly, but be added: "Disorderly market' is an artful phrase. It could be interpreted in several ways."

If all six of the U.S. partners at orderly and intervention was needed, Washington "would probably respect that view."

U.S. Treasury Secretary Donchanged by the summit, but he recovery from recession. said Washington would act in accordance with the final com-

Mr. Regan pointedly said as meaning.

recently as last month that there had been no change in U.S. policy despite a joint report endorsed by the United States saying that coordinated currency intervention could be helpful in the short term.

Privately, U.S. officials played down the significance of a summil directive to finance ministers to discuss the possible role of an international conference on improving the world monetary system.

The summis statement said the ministers should "consider the part which might, in due course, be played in this process by a igh-level international conference.

The Reagan administration favoured language that did not specifically mention a conference, but was overruled by its allies who backed wording proposed by French President Francois Mit-

Mr. Mitterrand, who has seen the value of the French franc fall the summit said markets were dis- to record depths, called three weeks ago for a new Bretton Woods conference to reform the world money system.

He fears that wild fluctuations ald Regan would not answer dir- in currency values under the preectly when asked at a press con-sent floating exchange rate system ference if U.S. policy had been are hampering world economic

But U.S. officials said the language of the summit declaration was so qualified that it had little

Iran tries to gain financial support

PARIS (R) - Iran bas settled long overdue debts to French firms probably to improve its horrowing and diplomatic posture, official and industry sources said Monday. "They're paying their debts so they can horrow some more," an oil industry source said, noting that the debts, repaid in the last four months, were outstanding since the 1979 Iranian revolution. French government sources said the repayments, which totalled \$350 million to the two state-controlled oil companies STE Nationale Elf Aquitaine and Compagnie Française Des Petroles, were made despite open French support for Iraq in the

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and hullion markets Tuesday.

One sterling 1.6083/93 U.S. dollars 2.5183/93 West German marks 2.8290/8300 Dutch guilders 2.0900/10 Swiss francs 50.27/32 Belgian francs 7.5560/90 French francs 1496.00/1497.00 Italian lire 238.35/50 Japanese ven 7.5275/5325 Swedish crowns 7.1410/60 Norwegian crowns 9.0125/75 Danish crowns

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Peanuts

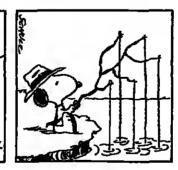
interest rates, dealers said.







One ounce of gold



U.S. dollars

Mutt 'n' Jeff









Andy Capp







FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1983

YOUR DAILY from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Much confusion can reign early in the day, so be prepared for it and later you can accomplish much of value. Concentrate upon being more progressiva in your activities.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Discuss mutual duties with co-workers and increase harmony. Avoid one who is trying to impose on you in some way.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Put a talent to work that will help you advance in career matters. Look on the hright side of life instead of the dull. GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Study new interests that

could prove to be profitable in the future. Striva to be more afficient in your work. MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) You find it

easy to get your ideas across to others today, so get busy on them early. Strive for happiness.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Studying new ways to add to income and to savings account is wise. Be sure to keep important promises you have made.

V1RGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Know what it is you want of a personal nature and be wise in going after it. Handle business affairs wisely. L1BRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Talks with higher-upa can

produce fine results at this time. The planats are favorable for advancing in career matters. SCORPID JOct. 23 to Nov. 21) Be sure of facts and

figures when dealing with others today. You can gain personal aims easily at this time.

SAG1TTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Doing whatever is required to gain the goodwill of higher-op is wise today. Stop wasting precious time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Show others that you understand their problems and are willing to help them. Sidestep a troublemaker. AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Study your financial

arrangements and know hetter where you stand and how to invest wisely. Plan for the future. PISCES (Feh. 20 to Mar. 20) Following through with

what is expected of you by associates gains their backing for the future. Think constructively, IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY . . . he or she will

be one who will want to liva a well-ordered kind of life, with many routines that have proven successful and this will be the secret of success here. There is also much artistic ability in this chart.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

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THE Daily Crossword by John H. Hall

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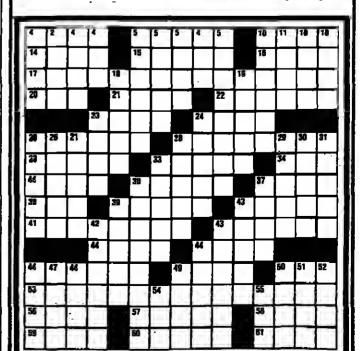


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British centrist morale boosted

trist political alliance, encouraged by an opinion poll showing a surge in support, Tuesday reaffirmed its aim of forming the next government after general elections next week.

The two-year-old Alliance of Liberals and Social Democrats has gained ground at the expense of both the ruling Conservative and npposition Labour Parties, a poll by the TV-AM television station showed.

It rated Alliance support at 24 per cent, higher than in any previous poll and four points up on a similar survey a week ago.

major parties but Liberal leader David Steel, spearheading the Alliance effort, declared: "The

tide of this campaign has turned." There can now be no doubt that the Alliance parties are making a wholly new impact," he told a news conference.

The poll showed the Con-

servatives had slipped four points to 41 per cent, while Labour has 30 per cent. Other groups were credited with five per cent sup-Mr. Steel, who previously let

Social Democrat Roy Jenkins take the lead in speaking for the Allextra votes before the elections on June 9. If the Alliance did that it would probably be enough to form

a government, he said.
Alliance leaders say Labour is out of the running because of its internal disagreements, but Conservatives say votes for the Alliance could put Labour in power by splitting the anti-socialist vote.

Prime Minister Margaret Tha-. tcher, returning to the campaign after attending the Williamsburg summit over the weekend, said Conservative policy had been effectively endorsed at the summit. Her policies were designed to

unemployment by offering the best chance of economic recovery and the best chance of jnbs, she

Mrs. Thatcher received a boost Tuesday from the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), which reported that the nation's slow economie recovery was con-

The CBI, mouthpiece of major British manufacturers, said its latest manthly survey of trends showed firms farecasting increased output for the fourth consecutive

Massacre by Ugandan guerrillas alleged

NAIROBI (R) - Ugandan guerrillas killed up to 200 people, many of them women and children, when they swept through a refugee camp last Friday wielding knives and guns, two Ugandan

newspapers reported Tuesday. The newspapers, copies of which arrived in Nairobi, said the attack took place last Friday at Kikyusa refugee camp, where an estimated 10,000 people had taken refuge because of fighting between government troops and the rebals.

Munno and Ngabo, two newspapers in the Luganda language, quoted victims as saying the attack

Munno, a Roman Catholicbacked daily, said some 60 victims had been taken to the emergency ward of Mulago Hospital in Kampala. A hospital spokesman declined to discuss the report and referred callers to the permanent secretary for health, who was not immediately available.

The newspaper quoted the head of the Ugandan Roman Catholic Church, Cardinal Emmanuel Nusuguba. as saying after a hospital visit that he despaired at man's inhumanity to fellow men.

Ngabo quoted Miss Kato Nakibinze, a survivor of the attack, as. lasted from early in the morning saying that 110 bodies had so far

The three other people were

The commission, in its 1,700-

murdered in the state of New

South Wales in 1977 and 1978,

page report, said the drug ring str-

etched around the world and

named Clark as the biggest ope-

rator in Australia in the mid to late

Couriers, slipping in by boat corrupting police and airport off-

icials, were said to have brought in

about 200 kilogrammes of heroin

looking into the Australian police force, which it said involved "not

merely a case of rotten apples, but

the tip of an iceberg of ins-

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been found and that the death toll was expected to rise because many. people had fled wounded into the

Another victim, P. Musoke. said the assailants were armed with knives, axes and guns, and slashed indiscriminately at men. women and ehildren.

Luwero, the district where the camp is sited, 65 kilometres northeast of Kampala, has been the scene in recent weeks of a huge army operation aimed at flushing the guerrillas out of their forest hide-outs.

Munno said the army had guarded the camp until Friday when troops left expecting another army

unit in the area to take over. On Saturday men in Ugandan army uniform dumped 50 bodies. many bound and with bullet wounds, at a village in Luwero, Munno

Reliable sources contacted in Kampala said Munno's managing director, chief subeditor and a reporter were questioned about the report by senior policemen.

The Ugandan government has said frequently in recent months that it is close to wiping out the guerrilla groups. President Milton Obote has said there are no guerrillas operating in Uganda, nnly

Australia wants jailed drug boss extradited from U.K.

CANBERRA (R) - A drug ring the Wilsons supplied information leader, jailed for life in Britain for on his activities to the police so he murder, should be extradited to had them murdered near Mel-Australia to face five more murder bourne in April 1979, the report charges, a royal commission said

Terrence Clark, named by the commission as head of the "Mr. Asia" drug ring, was jailed in July 1981 for his part in the murder of associate Christopher Johnstone.

Johnstone was said at the trial to run the Singapore link in the drug running syndicate. His mutilated, handless body was found by skin divers in a lake in Lancashire,

But the commission's report, tabled in Parliament, said Clark was also responsible for the murders of five more people - Gre-Harry Lewis, and Douglas and Isabel Wilson.

Clark became convinced that

U.S. expert in Moscow

MOSCOW (R) - Former United States ambassadar Averell Harriman, who is visiting Moscow, is expected to hold talks with Soviet leader Yuri Andropov, an aide of the veteran foreign affairs expert said Tuesday.

Mr. Harriman. 91, arrived in Moscow on Monday night for a five-day stay and had been taid in advance that a conversation with the Kremlin chief would be possible.

Mr. Harriman was U.S. envoy tn the Soviet Union during Warld War II and subsequently became a recognised authority on East-West relations. When he last came to Moscow in December 1978 he was received by the late President Leonid Brezhnev.

Manila to receive \$900m

MANILA (R) - The Philippines will receive \$900 million in grants

He said \$125 million would be a direct grant for military supplies. \$300 million would be military sales credits and \$475 million economic support funds, which the Philippines calls rent or compensation for use of the bases.

Wednesday by U.S. ambassador Michael Armacost and Philippin ting informally for about six weeks.

radicalise the military process was released, official sources said

Other leftists, both civilian and military, were also released after a piedge last week by President Jean Baptiste Ouedraogo to free all Voltans held for political reasons.

He ordered the military to return to barracks immediately and said he would head a mostly civilian government until elections were held. He did not name a date for the poll.

Afghan raids may signal opposition to peace talks

rebel groups killed up to 100 government soldiers in two attacks last week including one on Kabul. the capital. Western diplomats reported Tuesday.

The diplomats said the attacks marked an increase in rebel activity in and around Kabul after a three-week lull and there were indications more raids on the capital might be imminent.

They said that on the evening of May 25 Kabul's post-curfew calm was shattered by intense firing near an electricity generating station and in several other parts of Eyewitnesses reported between

30 and 50 Afghan soldiers were killed in the battles, a large number wounded and six armoured personnel carriers destroyed or badly damaged. On May 26, a food convoy tra-

velling from the capital to Paktia Province bordering Pakistan was ambushed and up to 50 govemment soldiers killed.

Western diplomats, who have access to information from missions in Kabul, said the 50 soldiers

ISLAMABAD (R) - Afghan who died in the convoy attack were among an escort force of about 200 trapped by guerrilla fire from hills in the Loghar Valley leading to Paktia Province.

The rest either surrendered or were captured by guerrillas who escaped with large quantities of food from the convoy. Western military analysts noted

that the May 25 raid coincided with a visit to Washington by Pakistani Foreign Minister Sahabzada Yaqub Khan to brief U.S. officials about Afghan peace talks, which the rebels oppose.

Most Afghan guerrilla groups demand a withdrawal of Soviet troops from their country before opening serious negotiations. They also oppose United Nations-sponsored peace talks in Geneva between Pakistan and Afghanistan because they are not involved directly in the negotiations.

The U.N. 1alks are scheduled to resume on June 16 and in the past Muslim guerrillas have staged raids to coincide with the reopening of negotiations.

GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

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and military sales credits under a revised agreement covering U.S.

military hases in the country, a senior U.S. official said Tuesday.

The new agreement, which revises a 1979 accord, will be signed ambassador to the U.S. Benjamin Romualdez, who have been mee-

Former U. Voltan premier freed

OUAGADOUGOU (R) — The former Upper Voltan prime min-ister, Capt. Thomas Sankara, jailed earlier this month for seeking to

In a speech last Saturday, Maj. Ouedraogo announced the immediate dissolution of the People's Salvation Council (CSP) which had ruled Upper Volta for the past six months, arguing that the armed forces were becoming dangerously politicised.

Turkish junta cracks down on new party, detains politicians

ANKARA (R) - Turkey's ruling generals Tuesday shut down one of the country's five new political of 14 former politicians, including former Prime Minister Suleyman Demirel.

The move, made in a decree announced on state radio, was one of the toughest steps taken by the ruling military National Security Council (NSC) since Mr. Demirel and other political leaders were detained after the September

1980 coup. It came only five weeks after a ban on politics was lifted in advance of November general elections to restore civilian gov-

eroment. The decree ordered the immediate closure of the Grand Turkey Party (GTP) which was founded on May 20 by retired Gen. Fethi Esener. Political sources said Gen. Esener had the backing of Mr. Demirel, former leader of the now-banned conservative Justice Party (JP).

Mr. Demirel, prime minister at the time of the coup, is already banned from politics for 10 years along with 480 other pre-coup political figures, including former prime minister and leader of the left-of-centre Republican People's Party (RPP), Bulent Ecevit.

Tuesday's decree ordered Mr. Demirel, six other prominent JP leaders and seven former senior RPP men to be detained in Canakkale, a town on the Dardanelles

straits. Among those ordered detained were former Justice Party Foreign Minister Ihsan Sabri Caglayangil and former RPP Energy Minister Deniz Baykal, Mr. Ecevit was not included.

The decree also ordered the detention of GTP founder members Husamettin Cindoruk, a forparties and ordered the detention mer JP Istanbul chief, and former senior bureaucrat Mehmet Golhan, a known JP supporter. There was no mention of Gen. Esener.

The decree made it clear the generals regarded the GTP as a reincarnation of the Justice Party. They bave repeatedly said they would not tolerate new parties which were old parties in disguise, calling instead for a fresh start with new leaders.

"Grand Turkey" was a wellknown slogan of the justice Party before the coup.

Those ordered detained were given until June 2 to report to the military authorities in Canakkale where they will be forced to remain indefinitely under the surveillance of the local martial law command.

The decree said certain unnamed members of the GTP were trying to "unfurl a banner of hatred and grudges" based on continuing the philosopby and existence of "one abolished party." It said it had been determined

that despite hans against them, a number of former politicians had been involved in setting up new parties and trying to influence the media.

Nobody, including the media, would be allowed to debate or comment on the decree, it said.

It also extended the bans on former parliamentarians, previously barred from executive membership of new parties for five years, by prohibiting them from standing for parliament for five years and from being founder members of new parties.

U.S. accepts former Saigon prime minister

SINGAPORE (R) - A former South Vietnamese prime minister who escaped from his homeland on his 14th attempt has been accepted by the United States for resettlement, diplomatic sources said Tuesday.

They said Nguyen Van Loc, 62, prime minister during 1967-68 and now living in refugee camp here, was treated as a special case because of his association with the former U.S.-backed government in Saignn.

His application for entry to the United States, made about 10 days ago, was granted at the weekend, they added.

Mr. Loc told Reuters after arriving here that he left his wife and baby behind as he fled Vietnam with 32 other people on a boat. They were picked up by a French ship on May 14.

The diplomatic sources said Mr. Loc was likely to proceed directly to the United States and bypass refugee processing camps in Ind-

Tombstone jeopardises security of Singapore

SINGAPORE (R) - A man has been charged here under the internal security act with possession of a tombstone, described in court as a subversive document.

The inscription on the tombstone glorified the man's brother, hanged in Malaysia last January for possessing firearms. Tan Chu Boon, a 39-year-old

fish breeder, was charged with having control of a black marble tombstone engraved for his brother. Chay Wa, a member of the Communist Malayan National Liberation Front (MNLF) wbo was hanged at Pudu prison. Malaysia.

The inscription, in Chinese, included the words: "For the sake of the motherland's liberation cause he was hanged... and died a heroic death... his glorious image will forever live in the minds of the people. Martyr Tan Cbay Wa's spirit will live forever."

L. American envoys fail to achieve peace

ended a peace conference here the impasse between Honduras and Nicaragua on means to defuse the threat of war, the Panamanian and Nicaraguan foreign ministers

In a communique issued at the close of the three-day talks, the nine ministers pledged to persist in their peace bid to "maintain effective communication between the two states (Honduras and Nicaragua) to lessen existing ten-

The statement of the five Central American ministers plus the "Contadora group" of Mexico. Venezuela. Colombia and Panama, said the nine nations would form a technical committee which would meet on June 14 to explore setting up "mnre advisable procedures" to deal with Central American problems, including Honduran-Nicaraguan tensions.

As the gathering closed, the bilateral strain was made evident by Honduran Foreign Minister Edgardo Paz Baroica who said, "Nicaragua wanis war, Honduras

wants peace." Nicaraguan Foreign Minister Miguel D'escoto urged Mr. Paz Barnica to meet him face-to-face "to discuss the way to ease con-

PANAMA CITY (R) - Nine tinually rising tensions that thr-Latin American foreign ministers eaten war."

The Contadora group, named Monday night without breaking after the Panamanian island where it initiated peace efforts last January, has sought through successive conferences to bridge the split between Honduras and Nicaragua over the shape of the proposed Central American peace negotiations.

Nicaragua has insisted on bilateral talks to discuss its charge that Honduras has cooperated with Washington in engineering the infiltration of more than 3,200 rebels across its porthern frontier.

Honduras, backed by other Central American governments, has insisted on multilateral peace talks to press Nicaragua to curb its alleged "export of revolution" and rapid arms buildap.

Last April 21, the Contadora group claimed to have narrowed the rift when it won a compromise between Nicaragua and the four other Central American nations that they would discuss some issues on a bilateral basis and others in a multilateral framework.

Mr. D'escoto, however, said Honduras had slid back from this settlement and in the conference's final plenary session Monday night announced that all Nicaraguan-Honduran problems must be dealt with multilaterally.

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Rev. Moon, a Presbyterian min-

ister, was jailed in 1980 with for-

mer presidential candidate Kim

Dae-Jung who is now in the Uni-

ted States after being released

from a 20-year prison term for

Before he was detained Tue-

sday, Rev. Moon said in a sta-

tement: "We are starting a hunger

strike demanding the return of full

democracy in this country which is

the wish of the whole Korean peo

sedition last December.

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ctoral college.

Police detain 3 leading South Korean dissidents

SEOUL (R) — About 200 pla-sidents are demanding the lifting inclothes police Tuesday stormed of curbs on political activity, reia civil rights organisation's headquarters in Seoul and detained three leading South Korean dissidents, eyewitnesses said.

rights, leader the Rev. Moon 1k-Hwan, had begun a hunger strike earlier Tuesday to support former opposition leader Kim Young-Sam, who has been fasting for two weeks to press for a return to full democracy. Mr. Kim, 55, a former pre-

The three, including human

sidential contender, was forcibly taken by police last Wednesday to a Seoul hospital where his condition was reported to be weakening. The authorities Monday lifted a 12-month-old house arrest order

on Mr. Kim, but the veteran pol-

itician said he would continue ref-

Those taken away with him were former parliamentarian Ye using food and medication until his demands were met. Chun-Ho and human rights cam-Mr. Kim and the other dispaigner Ham Sok- Hon.

China plagued by growth of crime

PEKING (R) - Serious crime is on the rise in many parts of China, the People's Daily said Tuesday. and called for increased vigilance to combat the problem.

The Communist Party new-

spaper admitted that "there has still not been a fundamental improvement in social order," despite progress in certain fields. It named "counterrevolutionary' crimes, murder,

rape and robbery as being on the increase. In a front-page editorial, the paper called on the public to bec-

ome more involved in crime detection and prevention. "It is especially important to make full use of mass selfregulating organisations, so that the masses educate each other and

control each other," it said.

China has a complex system of neighbourhood committees which monitor unusual behaviour, admonish minor law-breakers and report more serious crimes to the

The newspaper gave no statistics concerning crime and dis-closed no details of "counterrevolutionary' crimes which usually refer to political activities challenging the authority of the Communist Party.

Law and order is a top priority of China's present leaders, who are deeply concerned about widespread juvenile deliquency as

well as more serious crimes. Leaders, as well as many ordinary Chinese, blame the Maoist 1966-76 Cultural Revolution for

Many youths now feel they were tricked and exploited for factional purposes, and this has led to widespread disillusion.

Chinese crime statistics tend to

be vague and inconsistent. A senior public security ministry official said in March that reported crimes fell by 15.9 per cent last year compared with 1981. But diplomats said the

strongly-worded People's Daily editorial meant crime remained a serious problem and was probably out of control in some areas. Social apathy is also a serious problem in combating crime in

Peking Radio recently blamed public cowardice" for the death of a young reporter who was stabbed in Canton by thieves who had stolen his briefcase.

Fiercely-independent Kurds face hard times fighting for their independence

BAHRAIN (R) - The Kurds, who reportedly faced a Turkish military operation in the Turkish-Iraqi border region recently, with a fiercely independent ethnic group spanning five countries with a history dating back about 3,000

Most Kurds live in an area covering eastern and south-east Turkey, north-west fran and north Iraq, but there are smaller numbers in Syria, Lebanon and the Soviet Union.

The Kurdish population is est-imated at up to 25 million but accurate figures are impossible to ohtain because, for example, Turkey has refused to recognise them as an ethnic group.

Groups of Kurds, traditionally

famed as fierce fighters with a language very different from Arabic and Persian, have repeatedly struggled with central governments for more autonomy, particularly in Iran and Iraq. There are various Kurdish separatist groups in Turkey, Iran and

are basically separate and their links are difficult to gauge. The Iranian Kurdish Democratic Party has the motto "aut-

Iraq. The biggest party is probably

the Kurdish Democratic Party

(KDP). Groups in each country

for Iran' and most Kurds in Iran say they want autonomy, but within Iran.

in Iran and Iraq, Kurdish guerrillas known as "pesh merga (fight until death) control several mountainous areas. Their strongpoint is knowledge of local ter-

Underground in Turkey

The situation is different in Turkey, where hig and strong armed forces, plus martial law, has driven most Kurdish fighters underground.

Since the 1980 military coup in Turkey, hundreds of people bave been detained, accused of belonging to Kurdish guerrilla groups responsibile for many pre-coup attacks, largely in the south-east, where most of Turkey's eight million Kurds live.

On Tuesday, 35 Kurds were sentenced to death and 28 to life imprisonment by a military court independence was first recognised for establishing a Kurdish nat- on an international level in the ionalst movement and waging guerrilla war in pursuit of Kurdish ndependence.

Successive Turkish governments have been sensitive treaty of Lausanne in 1923.

onomy for Kurdistan, democracy about the Kurds, avoiding official use of the term and referring to those arrested as separatists.

> In Iran, official reports speak merely of 'counter-revolutionaries," presenting Kurdish groups as straightforward rebels against the Islamic revolutionary government rather than as an ethnic movement.

The reports also frequently mention Kurdish units as taking part in government anti-rebel dri-

In Iraq, the central government crushed nearly two decades of Kurdish insurgency in the north of. the country following a 1975 treaty between Iraq and Iran, under which the late shah withdrew support to the then Kurdish rebel lea-

der, Mulla Mustafa Barzani. In 1977, the Kurdish autonomous region in northern Iraqi Kurdish areas was created.

Kurdish nationalism emerged at the beginning of the 29th century. The principle of Kurish national treaty of Sevres between Turkey and the Allied nations in 1920 butreferences to Kurdish independence were dropped from the

NEWS IN BRIEF

Over 30,000 killed in Iran since '81

PARIS (R) — An exited Iranian opposition leader has claimed that more than 30,000 people had been executed in tran since June 1981 and 100,000 were being held as political prisoners. Massoud Rajavi, chairman of the Parisbased national council of resistance, said he had sent a telegram to United Nations Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar appealing to him to send a fact-finding mission to Iran to investigate conditions in Iranian jails. He said his information had come in reports from Iran, many of them based on eye-witness accounts no

Ethiopian rebels to free 10 captives

government sources and statiscts

KHARTOUM (R) - A group of 10 foreign relief workers abducted last month by guerrillas in Ethiopia wili be freed in Khartoum this weekend, a spokesman for their captors said Tuesday. Tewolde Bubra of the Tigray Peoples Liberation Front (TPLF) told reporters that the captives would arrive in Khartoum on Sunday accompanied by TPLF representatives and their handover to their respective embassies would be carried out in cooperation with the Sudanese government. The captives are four Britons, two Irish nurses, two Italian nurs, a U.S.

priest and an Indian doctor. Iron Maiden on BA flight

LONDON (R) - Britain's stateowned airline picked up the favourite Soviet epithet "Iron Maiden" for Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher when she flew home from the Williamsburg summit. The British Airways computer printout of passengers on flight BA 276 from Washington to London on Sunday night listed her as "Iron Maiden." Emharrassed airline officials said they would con-

joker responsible. Hijacker wanted

his wife, child COLOMBO (R) — A Sri Lankan hijacker of an Italian airliner was quoted at his trial as saving he had seized the plane in order to be reunited with his wife and son. The defendant, Sepala Ekanayake, 34, pleaded not guilty to charges of hijacking the Alitalia Boeing 747 in June last year to Bangkok and of keeping \$299,700 of ransom money. Pilot Giorgio Amoroso told the court that on the plane. Ekanayake had told him he had seized the plane in order to be reunited with his Italian wife and three-year-old son. He said Ekanayake also criticised the Italian government for not giv-

ing him a visa to live in Italy. Impounded car 'Cannibalised' in. Manila

MANILA (R) — Businesswoman Aurora Mati has laid a formal complaint saying her car, impounded two years ago after it was used in a robbery, was cannibalised" while in police custody. She said she had been too busy to reclaim the car since surrendering it February 1981 for official investigations. But when she arrived at Manila's southero police district headquarters to collect it Monday" it had been stripped of everything - the wheels, the steering wheel, the dashboard, everything. They didn't even spare the cigarette lighter and ashtray." Police officials said they would investigate.

Sanctions against Moscow lifted

CANBERRA (R) — Australia Tuesday formally lifted sanctions imposed against the Soviet Union in January 1980 after Soviet troops moved into Afghanistan. Foreign Minister Bill Hayden said the decision had been taken "in the wider interests of involving the Soviet Union in a more productive relationship." Mr. Hayden said Australia would continue to register publicly its strong objections to the Soviet military presence in Afghanistan, but added that continuing the sanctions, which have not affected trade between the two countries, was more likely to be counter-productive.